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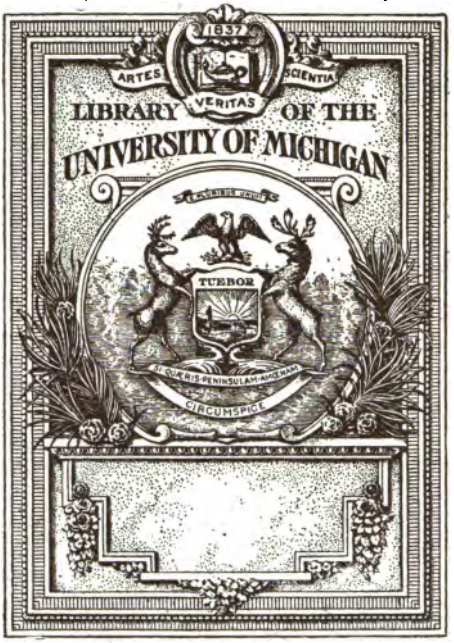

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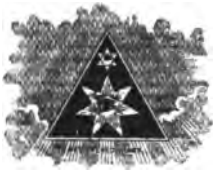

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PREFACE.

Within the past four years, Mr. Henry Clay Hodges, of Detroit, Michigan, has received through psychic force, a series of remarkable communications under the following circumstances: Early in 1897, in said city, in company with six others, four gentlemen and two ladies, he commenced an inquiry with the view of investigating truth in connection with psychic phenomena. The meetings of the seven, one of whom possessed marked psychic powers, were continued weekly, with little interruption from that time to this. They have been held with closed doors, no other persons having been admitted, and the results attained have been extraordinary. Of this society Mr. Hodges is the leading member, and Mr. W. E. Cole, the psychic; a quiet, unassuming, married gentleman of 30 years of age, of limited common-school education, of the highest character, residing at 221 Park street, of which premises he and his wife are joint owners.

Shortly after these first meetings, Mr. Hodges commenced individual sittings with the psychic, and

the messages contained in this volume, together with a large number of others reserved for publication in other works, entitled "Science and Key of Life: Manifestations of Divine Law," to follow this book, were the result, being psychic communications from Alvidas and Clytina and others, former inhabitants of ancient classic Greece.

These extraordinary messages were transmitted by unseen intelligences, and were clicked out through a telegraph instrument of common use, arranged as follows: Upon a table was placed a small box, the upper and lower lids of slate, joined together by hinges on the wooden frames, within which was the transmitting key, and into which were put the occasional interrogatories written by Mr. Hodges, not seen by the psychic, and the lids then closed. From the lower part of the box two wires about two feet long extended to a small battery, shown in picture, from the cylinder of which wires extended to the receiving instrument, or ticker, which was placed on the table, some little distance from the box, directly in front of the sitters, the whole apparatus being in plain view. The psychic laid one hand on top of the closed box, but did not touch the instrument. He wrote down the messages with great rapidity, as

clicked off in an abbreviated telegraphic code, and they were immediately taken to Mr. Hodges' office, where they were typewritten by Mr. John Coyne, a stenographer in Mr. Hodges' employ, and the originals preserved, and filed away in a fire-proof vault for future examination and verification.

For nearly four years the two held their sittings semi- and tri-weekly, in the same manner, closing the doors, giving the light full entrance, keeping out all intruders and taking seats near, but opposite each other, at the table, at about 9 o'clock a. m., each sitting, the messages occupying from one-half to three-quarters of an hour in each delivery.

The series of messages in this book, which it is believed will be read with interest, came weekly and bi-weekly from June 5th, 1897, to November 30th, 1897, and are printed in their chronological order. The other series, "Science and Key of Life: Manifestations of Divine Law," mentioned above, commencing December 4th, 1897, have been received semi and tri-weekly, through the same instrumentality, up to the present time, April, 1901, and are expected to continue.

Mr. H. C. Hodges has been a resident of Detroit between thirty and forty years; is of the highest character and success in business life, and respected by the entire community. While he is a gentleman of great innate modesty, his sense of duty to himself as well as to humanity, impels him to publish and present these writings to the public in the interest solely of truth. He believes this book and its successors speak for themselves, requiring no other or further endorsement.—*The Editor.*

SELECTIONS.

H—ere we meet this faithful seven,
E—ach one earnest and sincere,
N—obly seeking light and wisdom,
R—est assured that friends are near;
Y—et when dark clouds hover o'er you,
C—all your thoughts to earthly cares,
H—ear the voice of loved ones calling,
O—ur bright home to come and share.
D—rink thy fill of truth and wisdom,
G—ive out thoughts both pure and true,
E—ach one seeking life immortal,
S—urely this will encourage you.

CLYTINA.

No atoning blood can save
From ignorance and crime;
"Save Thyself," is the decree
Put forth by the Divine.

—H. C. Hodges.

"For we are but parts of an Infinite Whole,
Whose body is Nature, and God is the Soul."

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No. 1.

June 5, 1897.

DEAR SPIRIT IN THE MORTAL:

It is with pleasure that I come to you this day, in accordance with my promise, to manifest and give to you some knowledge of myself that may be interesting to you, from the fact that I have been attracted to you by the laws of infinite attraction and repulsion, and it only follows in order that we may proceed in a way to gain benefit from our coming together, that we first become familiar with the object to be brought out through our work. It is in order for me to give you a brief outline of my life and experience, so that we may become more in harmony with each other, and work to better advantage.

My father was a Carthagenian, came to Athens in 152 B. C., was a student under Carneades,* who was chief representative of the new Academy. My father adopted his views, many of them originating from Socrates and Plato, who were confident in their knowledge of the immortality of the soul, though

NOTE—Carneades was founder of the new Academy at Athens, Plato having founded the first.

they had a hard task to bring the masses to understand it. It was easy to show that the spirit existed before the physical body, but it was more difficult to demonstrate to the masses that the spirit existed after so-called death. In 149 B. C. my father married Telesda, the daughter of Censorinus, who was Consul at that time, still continuing his studies and teaching in classes of his own. In 147 B. C. I was born at Athens, and was as a child quite sensitive, or as you would term it, a good medium, being controlled to write at the age of five, so that Plato and Socrates would both control my hand to write their views on subjects unknown to me. This to my father, mother, grandparents, Carneades and Lucilius, a Latin poet —all sitting together, was very interesting. This continued until I was nine years of age. Then my mediumship disappeared as my studies advanced. Either fortunately or unfortunately I passed to spirit life at the age of sixteen, and my teachings of the Spiritual philosophy were of great benefit to me, as they assisted me to manifest to my dear ones.

As time passed on, my father, mother and near relatives came to spirit life, and you well know the conditions which have existed in connection with this philosophy as priestcraft came into existence.

The classes in Philosophy and kindred subjects were abolished, followed by the dark ages of priestcraft, ignorance and superstition, forming a barrier between the spirit world and the material, and it is only of recent years that this has been overcome. Now we have great hopes for the future, though you must understand what a vast amount of ignorance and bigotry we have to contend against, in the fact that millions have been sent to our side of life in such undeveloped conditions that we must teach them against their early teachings and prejudices. So, you see, we have something to do in spirit world.

I trust I have used this trial and force in a manner interesting to you, and shall endeavor to assist your own dear friends to come still better to you. My mission now is directed here in unison with you, and I feel we shall be able to do our part in bringing the two worlds nearer to each other. Each of your dear friends joins in this message. I shall be compelled to close for this time. Ever in truth and progress.

Yours faithfully,

CLYTINA.

No. 2.

June 12, 1897.

To Mr. H. C. Hodges:

My Dear Friend and Co-Worker in the Cause of Spiritual Advancement: I come to you this day, as I am very near to you, and as we are banded together for the one purpose of uplifting humanity to a higher plane of unfoldment. It is not strange that I take great pleasure in coming to you at this most opportune moment, and it is my desire to form conditions with yourself and spirit friends that will enable us all to come in such a way that you will not only be cognizant of my presence, but a host of other dear friends in spirit. It is our intention to form, as it were, a chain connecting the conditions existing over 2,000 years ago with those up to the present time. As far as I have been able to learn, these conditions have existed since time immemorial, and the earth has been plunged from light into darkness, first one, then the other. However, I am thankful to say that the dark periods are becoming shorter, and the light is continuing in length. This shows development. It is possible that you on the earth will be able to advance to that condition where you will not again be compelled to experience such conditions as those

you have before this witnessed: for the seed that was sown by Plato, Confucius, Socrates and hosts of others, is now bearing fruit, and we have taken advantage of the first opportunity to come in touch with the advanced spirits now in the body. We are advancing rapidly. Bigotry, prejudice and superstition are being swept away by the overwhelming demonstrations that are taking place in nearly every household in the land; and it all points to a condition where humanity will be spiritually advanced, as a whole, to such a degree that the method of madness now pursued by so many, will be entirely revolutionized, and it will be more a heaven on earth. We do not predict this in your existence in the body, but we do know that you will be able, as a spirit, to come to earth and witness the happy change that will be universal, and it is true that all you may do while here, in that direction, will be credited to you in the spiritual life's experience, and even here you will benefit from it in happiness, and by the knowledge that you have done your duty.

You can accomplish this in many ways, by standing by your convictions, and at other times by showing some dear brother or sister that you are sincere and honest in your knowledge. We all gather about you as metal substance about a magnet, for it is the

natural law of attraction and repulsion. This term expresses it to you. Were I speaking to another spirit farther advanced in spiritual unfoldment, I would be compelled to use a different expression, showing you that the terms used here with you do not express the higher and finer forces existing on, into the more perfected state of existence. As a flower of earth might be placed in these finer conditions (if it were possible), and the effect would be disintegration, so with our spiritual bodies, we are constantly changing as we enter the higher conditions beyond.

There are a host of angel friends gathered here to-day, who join in love and thoughts that are noble, good and pure. Let us all go on, hand in hand, and strive to reach the highest conditions of spiritual truth, and bring the millions of humanity along with us. We cannot reach all, but we can reach some who can reach others. I thank you for this privilege, and remain, as ever, your affectionate guide in spirit, CLYTINA.

My father is known to modern history as Hasdrubal.

No. 3.

June 19, 1897.

TO MY DEAR FRIEND AND CO-WORKER IN THE CAUSE OF PROGRESS:

I assure you it is extremely gratifying to me, as a spirit intelligence, to come and communicate with you to-day with the sincere purpose of giving out some thoughts that will be beneficial in bringing more spiritual conditions to earth. The spirit world in its relation to the earth condition is comparatively the same as the rounds of a ladder; is, in fact, steps of knowledge; and as we progress, we step up higher to a condition in perfect harmony with ourselves. Just as air of the same temperature rises to its own density, and as water flows to its level, so does mortal spirit rise to its exact condition of unfoldment. Even as we keep throwing off the old body and change in different periods of our earthly existence, likewise does the spiritual body become finer and more ethereal, and all these conditions are governed, to a large extent, by natural law, each one being as it were a law unto himself and responsible for his or her actions. But with knowledge comes the power and force to govern the good deeds made manifest in mankind, and the same feelings of love are prevalent,

and even intensified in the spiritual existence, so that we all eventually rise above the lower elements of life, and overcome the crude and undeveloped condition that has existed so long in connection with the material world; so long, in fact, that all humanity have become thoroughly imbued with its influence, so contaminating and injurious to the peace and happiness of mankind. Our purpose in coming to you here on earth is to elevate, to give you the benefit of our experience that you may profit by it, as the child profits by the good life led by the parent, and the same teachings, to uplift and lead a perfect life, are only the guide to what will prove to be the most perfect results on our side of life.

My earth's experience was quite limited, as I only passed 16 years in the mortal, passing out 131 B. C. My father, whom I know as Clithoneachus, but who is known to modern history as Hasdrubal, is at the present time very much interested in my communication to you, also my dear mother, known as Telesda, and there are many of my dear and near friends who are interested in your little circle which meets here, in this room, for the very purpose that our little circle met in Athens nearly 2000 years ago. It is certainly a pleasure to come to you in this way, and I feel certain that the time is rapidly drawing

near when the world at large will be overwhelmed with the fact of life immortal, and communication of spirits disembodied. Most glorious day when this shall come to all mankind! Then shall capital punishment and many other inhuman laws be abolished, and we shall have spirituality on earth. Crime will be eradicated and the desire will be only to do good to all. You may not be in the body to see all this, but together we can combine to plant the seed that will germinate and produce the good results.

I thank you most cordially for this privilege, and wish to be remembered kindly to each member of your little circle. I shall remain true to our work. Ever in love and truth, yours faithfully,

CLYTINA.

No. 4.

June 26, 1897.

To H. C. Hodges,

Esteemed Friend and Co-Worker: Once again I am accorded the privilege to come to you. Although I would most gladly retire in favor of those who are bound more closely to you by the ties of relationship, still, as it is their wish and yours, I take pleasure in coming. In the beginning I wish to thank you for your interest displayed in the work we have laid out to do, for you will not know for some time just what conditions have been established in our coming as we have. It means so much to all mankind, and it seems a pity that these very conditions could not have been established centuries ago. If this had been the case, you would now be living in a far different world. As it comes to my mind, I wish to speak of the beauty and grandeur of spirit life, and correct in a measure, the erroneous ideas of the people who think of spirit as a heaven. The fact of it all is this, that it is exaggerated, for as the spirit is unfolded, life becomes more beautiful, and what would be darkness to one on a low plane, to another would be heaven. Therefore life, with its surroundings, is what we make it for ourselves, so that when one speaks of the beautiful realms of spirit, it is the spirits themselves who are

beautiful, and naturally their surroundings are in harmony with themselves. Our existence is just as real to us as your life upon earth, and we find work to do, aye, more than we can do. "The harvest is ripe, but the laborers are few," is well spoken.

I am sure you will agree with me that we are rapidly increasing the number of workers. The work is growing, and its development is really wonderful. It is not confined to the circle of dear friends with whom you have communication, but includes millions of others, who are in the same sphere of intelligence. This will create a force that will eventually overwhelm the universe. Truth will reign supreme. This is when our hopes will be realized, and the work we have been doing will bear fruit, for just as soon as we have the number of workers, equal in comparison with the harvest, the majority will be in power, and good will prevail instead of evil.

You were speaking of trying for another likeness of myself, or rather your brother Homer spoke to me about it. I shall be pleased to try again, and trust that it will be successful, as I realize all these demonstrations are interesting, and not only this, but I can see that in the future the experiments we are making now will be improved upon, and others will receive

the benefit of them. Thus far, we are all more than satisfied with the results on both sides.

I long to be able, as soon as possible, to give you some of my spiritual experience. It may prove interesting to you, and will leave no doubt, in your mind, of the fact that there is always something to look up to, for even now, as you are seeking to learn more of our condition, we are striving to gain more knowledge beyond us. It is all most interesting and involves everything in life. I know that I have continued to exist thus far, and from all I am able to learn of life, I firmly believe I shall always retain my individuality throughout eternity. I can find no reason in the past two thousand years to change my views on the subject; in fact, I become more firm each day in my conviction. I only speak of this to show you where we stand upon this most important question. Each one of your dear friends wishes to be kindly remembered, and there are hosts of them here to-day. Let us keep on the work, ready and willing to do anything and everything that will strengthen our cause. I am sure you are willing. Remember me kindly to the little circle of seven, for it is a power of itself. I will close now and remain, yours most faithful to the cause, CLYTINA.

DEAR FRIEND:

It is impossible for me at this time to express to you my profound thanks for your several communications which have been received from time to time. You must see how difficult it has been for me, a personality so unworthy, to believe that a spirit so exalted and of so many centuries' experience, should be attracted into my environments. Since the receipt of your first communication, it has seemed as though a new life had been opened up to me—a life full of hope and renewed courage to go on and fulfill my mission during the few years which remain mine in the material.

I have read your communications in their order, and applied my reasoning powers with a view, if possible, of detecting an abnormal thought, and must say that every line is replete with beauty of expression, and full of that which seems to me to be Truth, and worthy of the source from which they purport to come. I will be most happy to receive, when the time comes, a history of your experience since entering higher life; and in connection with this biography, would be most happy to learn what your estimate is of Jesus Christ. Was he in his

day and generation above, in spirituality, those other teachers in philosophy, to wit, Plato, Socrates, Confucius and hosts of others who have shed light upon humanity? I am

Sincerely yours,

H. C. HODGES.

(The above note was dropped into the box and called forth the following message, No. 5, July 3, 1897, the writer having in view also several other communications besides the foregoing from the same individual.)

No. 5.

July 3, 1897.

DEAR FRIEND AND CO-WORKER:

It is highly gratifying to me to read your expressions of satisfaction and interest in the messages I have been accorded the privilege of giving to you through this wonderfully sensitive instrument. It is only natural that I should come to you, with the advancement you have made, and I am confident that had you the same advantages of experience as myself, you would be fully as highly developed in spiritual things; therefore, according to talents given you, and the time to unfold them, you are as highly exalted as I, and when we stop to think of the eternity of time beyond, of which we can form but little conception, we all feel very unworthy, though I am not loth to think more of the present time and what good I may be able to do now, as this is the object in the main.

I wish to express my pleasure now at the success of the portrait given in our sitting on last Friday evening, as it was most interesting to me, and I am sure that your brother's gift of art will place him in a position to do a great amount of good in his advancement, and he wishes me to say to you that as soon as

possible he will give you other portraits that will be interesting to you.*

I wish to say just a few words in connection with our ideas of Christ and His teachings. We consider him a highly developed psychic, and his religious faculties were far greater than any other personality known to myself. Plato possessed the faculty of oratory, Socrates of philosophy, Beethoven of music, etc., and it is these self-same gifts that are imbued within us, that we are expected to cultivate and use in a way that mankind will receive a benefit. Each faculty is necessary to do its particular part, and, combined as a whole, they form the basis for perfection in all things. We can each one gather what we can to his own good, and it is these highly advanced intelligences who send out their thoughts into the universe that permeate everything. It is more natural to be good than evil; therefore when we, of one mind, either incarnate or disembodied, meet together and direct our minds to good thoughts, and pure and noble deeds, evil must flee in the face of this most overwhelming force; knowledge and wisdom

(*NOTE.—Clytina here refers to a profile view of herself sketched upon a pad on Mr. Hodges' lap. The brother Homer referred to was an artist who passed out in 1862.)

take the place of ignorance and bigotry, and when this is accomplished, we have undone the work which Constantine began in establishing the power of church and priestcraft. Classes of science will again be formed, as in the ages of the past, and once again we shall reach an equalization of power and wisdom.

I shall take great pleasure in giving you an outline of myself and of conditions existing in my life's experience, as soon as I can do so. We have classes formed now where we all meet together and discuss the higher subjects of life. I would be pleased to have you present, as a guest, if it were possible, but you will have this privilege later, when your work is finished here on earth, as we know that through you a power of good can be made manifest. There are a host of friends here who wish to be kindly remembered to you, and let us continue on in the paths of wisdom, learning from each other the truth and beauty of the most grand philosophy which ever came to earth. Again I thank you, and a word of loving remembrance to our circle. Ever your earnest and faithful friend, CLYTINA.

No. 6.

July 6, 1897.

DEAR FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

Once again I have been afforded the privilege to come here and give you a message, and it is a great pleasure to me to know that our efforts to keep up the line of communication are appreciated by you, as it will be necessary to do this in order to perform our mission in our life's experience, in direct contact with the inhabitants of this small planet. I wish to direct your attention to the thousands of other planets which are inhabited by human beings of intelligence, and some are far in advance of the condition existing here on earth. I can give you some of the conditions later, but I only speak of this that you may realize how many different conditions of life are formed in the whole, and how many there must be who are laboring in the cause of truth in order to bring about a universal heaven, as perfection in mankind.

We are now entering upon a period of advancement never attained before here on earth by mortal man. Different minds are now working upon instruments of such a fine sensitiveness that those in the spirit world can use them to communicate to their friends in a very simple and easy method. I realize

that I am going somewhat ahead of the present, and still I wish you to know that we are cognizant of these conditions existing here on earth, and of the constant efforts of the many intelligences in spirit to form conditions that will mean so much to all humanity, and in our little circle we are attracting the different ones who can do good, and in many ways and forms establish a condition that will be the means of laying the foundation for the light of truth to shed its rays upon the minds of so many who are capable of reception.

In going back to my childhood days and earth's experience nothing of great importance transpired, with the exception of my mediumistic gifts, which were brought out as a child, and which I have spoken of in a previous communication. However, I always derive great pleasure in referring to those days of my childhood, and it is indeed a source of gratification to feel that we, as inhabitants of the mortal, did our part in assisting to form the conditions which are intended to be universal by the great infinite deity. My education covered a period of about seven years, between the ages of 9 and 16. Fortunately, my father, understanding these higher forces, was able to educate me in a natural way, that is to bring out the spiritual lesson in connection with the material,

and in this way, he always brought before me the grand and noble purpose in life eternal. I was also taught the importance of realizing that I must not think of life as a matter of three score and ten, or thereabouts, but of life everlasting. I only speak of this in order that you can understand in what condition I entered spirit life, realizing in a way the true conditions of it, and also with a comprehension of the vast eternity which lies beyond all mankind. You will be able to understand me better, when I give you my experience during these 2,000 years, and I feel now that I shall be ready to enter upon a brief outline of the most important events. I will take pleasure in giving this as there is a purpose, else I should never have been accorded the privilege.

I find I must close for the present, and wish to be kindly remembered to our faithful band of seven. Each one is necessary for the particular work. I will continue this at the first opportunity given, or at least when it is best to do so. With many thanks to you for your faithfulness to your promise, I remain, very truly your friend in the spirit,

CLYTINA.

No. 7.

July 10, 1897.

MY DEAR FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

Once again we have gathered here to learn how we can best advance the cause we have most at heart, and in coming to you and giving my life's experience, I feel that there is a purpose in it, far greater than the pleasure it will give to you or me.

I have given you an outline of my earthly experience that will enable you to realize my condition as I passed out of the body.

I will begin with a description of my passing out, as it was not of the ordinary, though before going into this, it will be well to speak of an adopted sister named Althus, to whom we had been directed in our sittings. She was an orphan and lived with an aged grandparent who was a direct descendant from Plato. It was he who first called our attention to her, and for a grand purpose. We took a great interest in the child and grandmother, and found that the little girl was a wonderful medium, and shortly after her grandparent passed to spirit life, we took her to reside with us. This was about the time when my mediumship left me, in my ninth year. My parents were directed to adopt her, as they were only too happy

to do, and through her mediumship we continued our circle, although I was only permitted to join occasionally. However, it seems that in one of these circles they were informed of the liability of my transition. This was about 131 B. C. in my sixteenth year. At the stated time I became very ill, and it seems that arrangements had been made for my passing out. I was carried into the private seance room, and while I was unconscious they sang, and my mother played upon the harp, low and sweet music, that produced such grand harmony, and suddenly the room was lit up and we seemed to be in the spirit world (as we were), and my dear grandparents, Plato, Socrates and other dear friends stood in our midst. Nearly all present in the mortal could see them with the exception of my father and grandfather (my mother's parent). Then followed a wonderful demonstration. Different ones of the dear spirit friends approached my bedside, and stood two on either side, and bade me say good night to my dear father, mother and others gathered there. Then different waves of force were brought into action by those who stood near, and gradually I rose out of my body and seemed to be so free, and took hold of my own hand and bade farewell to the mortal form which had served as an abiding place for me during

my earthly experience. Then, turning away, I followed the dear friends who stood by me, and we emerged into such grand and beautiful conditions that I cannot describe the beauties of them, but know now that I was taken into the sixth sphere of spirit life. Here I met other friends who had known of me, though I was not familiar with them. There were many gathered there, and I learned it was a meeting of the advanced spirit intelligences, for the purpose of forming conditions that would add others to our cause, both in the mortal and in the spirit. I had heard much of spirit life, and found that while a great many conditions, existing spiritually, had been explained to me, yet I could not realize them, as I did when I found myself an inhabitant of the spirit world. Lectures were delivered upon subjects in connection with the best method to pursue in bringing the spiritual conditions to earth, so that all might enjoy its blessings. Then we changed the trend of our thoughts to other subjects, as we were becoming weary in the one thought. I found everything as real as when I inhabited the mortal form, and I would love to give you a description of the conditions. I may in the future.

The next evening we had an engagement to meet our dear friends in the dear old room, where we

might communicate with our loved ones. But previous to our going there we received word that there was much ill-feeling aroused in Athens, for the reason that music and singing were heard by those outside, who were antagonistic to our philosophy, and this was used as an excuse to persecute the faithful ones. However, we went to the home of my parents and found them sitting, but we were unable to demonstrate very clearly, on account of the imperfect conditions existing there. We did succeed in informing them of our presence, through different signals or rappings that they understood, and encouraged them to continue on in their sittings.

I find I will have to close for the present, but will continue this letter. I remain as ever,

Faithfully your friend in spirit,

CLYTINA.

No. 8.

July 13, 1897.

MY DEAR SPIRIT FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

I come to you this day, and I assure you it is very gratifying to me to realize that you have taken such an active interest in my coming, for it is in fact the first time I have been able to demonstrate to those outside of my immediate friends, and that was long ago.

I wish before going farther to say a few words in explanation of my coming to you as I do, for I have been with you at different times, and often when you were sitting alone in your room and reading the communications that I have given to you. I see that the composition has been criticised. That is perfectly natural. As this is the first time I have manifested in this way, and using a language that is entirely foreign to me, I expect to make some mistakes, at least. But we will let this pass, and cling more closely to the thought which I intend to bring out in this sitting. We returned to the home of my friends in spirit, which to me was quite real as it was in the form of some of the residences peculiar to my native country, only this was so grand and the gardens of flowers and plants were so large and

beautiful. I had not realized as yet any great change from my material conditions, only a sense of a finer spirit. Conditions of freedom seemed to pervade all the air, and I was indeed happy. I spoke of this to my friends, how beautiful it was and how grand it was, and there seemed to be good conditions everywhere. So my dear friend and guide, Plato, wished to know if I would care to see the conditions which existed in the lower spheres. I was indeed very anxious to do so, and we arranged a visit to the spheres below us on the following day. Plato then asked me if we should not all retire to the dining room. This was not the word used, but it will answer the purpose here. We all consented, and I then began to realize that I was somewhat exhausted for the first time since leaving my home, a period of three days. I followed the others through the house, from the reception room where we were seated, on through the halls and soon emerged into the garden. We walked on and finally came to a small opening, where we found seats or couches, and I was led to one of these, and bade to be seated, which I did, and was told to lie passively and breathe in as regular and natural a manner as possible.

Then I beheld others, whom I had not seen, come into our midst, and carry vessels in which seemed to be something in a liquid form. These persons then advanced to the centre of the opening, and not far distant low sweet music came to my ears, very faintly at first, but gradually growing in volume. During this time, those carrying the vessels seemed to spray the liquid all around and about the opening, and we arranged in a circle about them. This was all very strange to me, and I suddenly remembered to be passive, which I did and closed my eyes, in order not to disturb my thought by what was going on about me. Soon I sensed a very pleasant condition which seemed to enter my body, and as I discovered, this was the manner in which our food was taken. You would term it absorption, I believe, though I soon learned there were some conditions of spirit existence that were much different from this, and I will endeavor to bring this out as I continue. In a short time I lost all consciousness and awoke very much refreshed, and found my other dear friends sitting near and talking earnestly, when we all adjourned to the house once more, where I learned we were to meet several distinguishd guests, prominent among them being a learned man and

great philosopher of Jewish descent. I will tell you of this, and also of my visit to other spheres of life in our next sitting.

I do not wish to give this in a manner that will take much time and force, but I find it necessary at present to give you the conditions in detail. Later I hope to cover a larger period of experience. I will close for this time, with kind remembrance to our dear friends composing the circle of seven, and remain as ever, your friend in the spirit,

CLYTINA.

No. 9.

July 17, 1897.

DEAR SPIRIT FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

Once again I am permitted to come and continue the subject I have taken up, and if you will stop to consider you will see that I am giving you these messages under great difficulties, from the very fact that I am compelled to clothe them in words that will be comprehended by many and even by yourself; and to give a material description of a spiritual condition is somewhat difficult, as you yourself can realize from the slight investigation you have given to the subject. To be sure, it may seem a very long time to you, but only stop to compare it with the time elapsed since my transition, and you need not compare it with eternity, to understand that your experience has been very slight. I speak of this, as I wish to impress upon your mind and others the true conditions, that you may thoroughly comprehend how little we consider our ordinary mortal life.

Now, to begin with the subject. We made every preparation to start upon our journey to visit the different conditions in spirit life, each one retiring

either to his or her room or to walk into the gardens. I expressed a desire to be left alone in the garden, and I was conducted to a seat near a beautiful fountain, and assured that I would be entirely secluded from others. I wish to explain that those retiring to their rooms did not do so for the purpose of passing the time in sleep, but to enjoy themselves in reflecting upon the lectures given, and to endeavor to benefit from the knowledge given out. To me it was rather a novel idea to be left alone, and my mind at first naturally drifted to my dear ones. I could see my mother sleeping calmly and peacefully, but could see no others, though I seemed to be in our home, and also in the spirit home by the garden, and to stoop over and kiss my dear mother's forehead. It must have been perceptible to her, for she awoke and must have seen me, for I distinctly heard her call to my father that she had had a dream, and had seen Clytina in her spirit home. It was an entirely new experience to me, as I could not realize how I could be in both places at one and the same moment. I shall speak of the solution of this in the near future. While I was thinking of this, I heard my name called, and found them all waiting to start upon our journey. We emerged out of the garden,

through a large massive gate, and into a condition similar to an electric current, or as it seemed, a strong pressure of air completely surrounded us. This was, I learned, a protection against inharmonious influences. We traveled on in this way, passing homes of spirit gardens similar to the one I inhabited, but did not see anyone. As we journeyed on, we came into different conditions, and men, women and children were standing about, talking and idly lounging. We passed on. The air seemed to be impregnated with the evil conditions. There was so much suffering. Some were crying, wringing their hands in great distress, and calling upon their loved ones whom they had left behind, and others were rudely jesting, and some were worshipping strange and grotesque images, offering sacrifices to their gods, as it were, to deliver them from their conditions. Others were worshipping the sun. Indeed it was a sad condition. The force seemed to press against me so strong that I could hardly keep my normal feeling. We quickly retired from the scene, and as we came out of the condition we all felt better. We finally came to a garden and mansion where we entered. This I learned was the home in spirit of Mordecai, a very bright spirit and a learned man of Jewish descent.

I find the force too weak to proceed further this morning. I will continue this. I wish to be remembered to each one in our circle, and with feelings of gratitude to you, I remain ever faithfully, your friend in spirit, CLYTINA.

No. 10.

July 20, 1897.

DEAR SPIRIT IN THE MORTAL:

Once more I am able to come en rapport with you and manifest my presence. I will continue this day the subject in connection with our visit to Mordecai. You will understand that I am giving to you the most interesting events, and also those which I am able to describe in a manner you can thoroughly comprehend. To begin our subject, as we entered the gate and came into the garden, we met our host himself, who advanced to meet us, having been apprised of our coming, by Plato, through transmission of thought. Therefore we found him prepared to entertain us. I very soon discovered that there was a purpose in our visit there, for after exchanging greetings, we retired to a room in the mansion and seated ourselves; then Mordecai arose, and addressing those assembled, told us the purpose of our meeting together. We were to sit passively, form a circle; then those who had reached the higher conditions were to come, if possible, and take on our ethereal body for the time being, and communicate with us in our own natural form. I also learned that we could communicate with those beyond us in

spiritual unfoldment in other ways, but as I understand now, this was to us, as materializations would be to you here in the material. To us you might term it etherealization, as the spirit was compelled to clothe itself in the same ethereal condition as ourselves. Mordecai proceeded to explain the conditions necessary. It occurred to me that possibly I might be a detriment to the demonstration. I spoke of this, as my experience in this condition was somewhat limited. I was assured that I would not in anyway interfere, and we proceeded with the seance, you would term it, or re-embodiment. After sitting passively for a short time, Aleida, the daughter, sang a song, and then we all joined in singing. The conditions became so strong that I could scarcely retain my normal condition. Others noticed this, and my seat was changed to another part of the circle. Very soon light, vapory substances began to appear in our midst, which gradually took on the form of a human being, and first one and then another came, until seven different ones stood in our midst. Mordecai and Plato advanced to greet them, and introduced them to those gathered in the circle. One, Azariel, then spoke to us at some length upon their conditions; how they were able to communicate with

the inhabitants of Jupiter and Mars, those of Jupiter being advanced to our own condition of spirituality. This will show you the condition of Jupiter to-day. It is inhabited by human intelligences as you, only they have progressed far beyond you. Mars has passed on through the scientific age in which you are now entering, the intelligences having solved the problem of right living, also how to put to practical use the inventions brought out by scientific investigation, and entered into the more spiritual subjects. They are at the present time nearly in the condition of myself, when I passed out of the body. The earth must also pass through these same conditions before you can hope to begin to realize or feel the effect of spiritual conditions. You are gaining rapidly.

In my next I will endeavor to give you some ideas upon the subject of what you term re-incarnation, which may be of interest to you. I have used about all the force I can at this sitting. Kindly remember me to our faithful seven, and accept my sincere thanks for this privilege. I remain as ever, your friend in spirit, CLYTINA.

No. II.

July 24, 1897.

DEAR SPIRIT FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

I greet you this day with a feeling of gratitude and kind appreciation for the efforts to assist me to come to you, and if I could describe to you the object fully, you could better understand my feelings, of thankfulness, more especially at this time.

I will continue upon the subject taken up in our last communication, as it will be in a direct line with the thought which I wish to bring out to-day. Our friend, Azariel (who was the spokesman for the other dear one who had come to us from the higher realms of spirit) then related in detail the object of our meeting, and why he and those with him had come in our midst. He told us that in order to bring about certain spiritual developments in the different spheres of spirit, this opportunity had been taken to come back and perform a mission among those in the lower conditions of spirit, and they intended to remain in the present ethereal form until this mission was performed, asking the kind thoughts and sympathy of each one in the circle to assist them in the completion of their work. To be sure, we were all only too happy to grant this request, and even

journey with them in person, but our latter proposition was thankfully declined. I could see that even Mordecai and Plato were somewhat surprised at the conditions brought out by our circle, and if it were possible, I would be pleased to give you a history of these faithful workers and the glorious mission they performed in the spiritual world, and I may do so at some future time. It will suffice for the present, however, to say that this band of seven were able to assist many a fallen spirit up to a higher condition of spiritual unfoldment, and thereby add to the growth of spirituality in all the many spheres of life, for those below were able to help those still below them, and so on down to the lowest condition of humanity. I will only add here that this condition of re-embodiment approaches the nearest to re-incarnation of anything in my experience during the past two thousand years, and I do not believe, judging from all the knowledge in my possession, that a spirit can return and inhabit a material form entirely its own, or in the manner taught by theosophists. The only conditions in which a spirit may inhabit a material body, to my knowledge, is through the assistance of the spirit inhabiting the

body at the time, for of itself it is too fine, and besides the material condition of to-day is entirely unnatural, and therefore it is not in the laws of spirit to maintain an existence. Many conditions occur, which are supposed to be the outcome of re-incarnation, but it is only a misconception of the true fact. For instance, one here in the body may assert that he has a recollection of a previous existence in the material. This is caused by the pressure of a spirit intelligence becoming so closely en rapport with the spirit in the body that thoughts and memories of one are transmitted to another. Then again there are spirit intelligences who sincerely believe that they will return to earth, and inhabit another material form, though I can easily trace this to a desire and longing for the material conditions on the part of the spirit. As I understand it, this idea first had its origin among the oriental races, who were very material in their desires, etc., and I assure you that this same theory is upheld and taught in spirit life as here. Just the same, as for instance the sun worshipper bows down to the sun; the Chinaman worships his idols; and each spirit as he comes to spirit life, believes in the doctrine taught him in his material experience. If the church only realized the

great amount of anguish and suffering it brought about in spirit life by its erroneous teachings, and could see the multitude seeking Jesus their Saviour, and the bosom of Abraham, I know they would discontinue such false doctrine and cling to the truth. Therefore to sum it all up, we find that these false and unnatural ideas of the spirit world and its conditions, are created in the mind of man, and are not a reality.

We are all cognizant of your meeting here tonight, and each one will be present to do his part in the same. Kindly remember me to our seven, and may the light of truth shine still more brightly to each and every one. I will continue at the next opportunity. Ever your friend in spirit and truth, CLYTINA.

No. 12.

July 25, 1897.

DEAR SPIRIT IN THE MORTAL:

It gives me great pleasure to give you a message at this time, as I can foresee that our communications may be interrupted for a short time, at least. However, it will not be for long, as there are forces back of all these conditions that will see to it that the chain will not be broken, and while we in the spirit do not wish to dictate, we feel as though we can at least suggest the line of action, especially when in touch with the spiritual part. To begin, we are all interested in this medium's work, naturally, as we use him to such grand purpose, and while we realize his close connection to Dr. Nichols, his guide, who is a grand, honest and true spirit, still we have all met together, we have talked over the past work and have even taken a look into the future, so you see even we are prone to peer into the great beyond, and wonder what time will bring forth. As I say, we have talked the matter over, carefully and seriously, and unanimously agree that it will only be right and proper to continue our meetings of the mystic seven. Again, we do not wish to be selfish, or at

least appear to be so, but we find that under the conditions now prevalent we cannot well make changes but that will be injurious to our present height of development. Therefore we suggest that the same seven remain as now, and during the time intervening, it would be well for each one to devote a little time on Friday evenings to the circle, at least let your thoughts be in harmony with us, and we with you. This will tend to keep up the conditions now formed in an unbroken chain of thought. It will please each one of those spirit friends who are interested in the work, to have you all be ready to meet together at the first opportunity on the return of this medium, and to the convenience of each member.

You, my dear friend, have asked me a very direct question, * * and you will be able to gather my answer from what I have given in this letter. We trust it will meet with your approval. You are, no doubt, eager to receive other communications of the same order that I have given you of late, at least I feel this, and will only be too happy to give you, not only more information of the same character, but also follow out other subjects that will be equally as interesting to you and others. I, with other dear

ones, will enjoy being present with you and near, to try the forces of materialization, though we do not anticipate satisfaction under such public conditions. All these conditions for spirit demonstration should be prepared for beforehand. As it is now, it is wonderful that as much is accomplished as there is, but it is our purpose to endeavor to establish conditions between the material and spiritual worlds, that will be the means of bringing the two in harmony. This only means that gradually the material will give way to the spiritual, and we shall only be following in the same line of development as Jupiter and Mars.

At some time in the future, I shall be pleased to give you an account of my visits to different spheres of life in the realms of these planets. My dear father and mother are deeply interested in these communications, and others also. I am happy to see that you are pleased with the picture, and I believe it a very perfect likeness of my present appearance. You are certainly aware of the wonderful progress made by the different members connected with our circle, both in the spirit and mortal. I am confident that the wishes expressed in this message will meet with the approval of each one in our circle, and let us all look

forward to the continuation of our faithful band, as soon as all can meet again.

I find that the forces are somewhat absorbed, and each one wishes to tender sincere thanks for the privileges given to manifest, and especially for the great good that has been done. I also wish to thank you again for the manner in which you have kept the promise to me. Let the watchword be Onward and Upward, ever striving for the highest and noblest in life, and we cannot go amiss. With kind remembrances to our seven, I remain ever true through time eternal, your friend in spirit,

CLYTINA.

No. 13.

September 18, 1897.

GREETINGS TO YOU, DEAR FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

It is with pleasure that I communicate with you once again. I have been with you at different times during the past few weeks, and have been able to gather more of the real conditions of life in the material form than ever before, in a personal way at least; and I have been intensely interested in making a study of humanity, and its conditions of advancement along the spiritual lines, especially as this phase of life is more interesting to me. I have endeavored to give you something of an idea of spirit life, in former communications, which, in part, have been satisfactory to me. However, I could have impressed you with a more practical knowledge of it, had you stood by my side in spirit, and witnessed the conditions yourself. Your experience would no doubt have differed from my own, in some respects at least, though I have been very closely en rapport with those who have come to spirit life since my own transition, and have had an opportunity to witness many of the different experiences of spirit transition. I find that without any exceptions, the spirit enters that heaven it has created for itself first; then it

gradually passes on into higher unfoldment. I have even witnessed the birth of a spirit of the lowest type of man, and watched this individuality gradually unfold itself, and become useful to itself and mankind. Man has passed through many peculiar conditions of development, but I have found that in each instance the governmental laws existed in accordance with the development of the people. Thus it is now at the present time, although there are some laws now in force that seem much out of place; but they are not. It can only be in comparison with the people, at least the majority of them. Strange as it may seem, capital punishment was, and even to this day is, the only method to punish certain crimes in the conditions of life in which it exists. To me it is adding crime, but to those under this law it is called Justice, and is so to them, but as the world advances in spirituality, all this will be changed, as it has been in other planets in the universe which have passed through these same conditions. The manner in which these old ideas of punishing crime were revolutionized came about in this wise, just as it is being done to-day. It first found its beginning in the home, as this is the place where it should begin. Those more advanced are beginning to realize this, and

from now on will see some wonderful revolutions in all these subjects. As this idea is carried out, there will be no use for law, for it will gradually evolve into the conditions now existing in spirit life, and each one become a law unto himself. I do not speak from a theoretical view, but from a personal knowledge of the conditions passed through by the inhabitants of other planets. The most important of all my experiences and investigations to me, is, that I have never beheld an individuality become clouded for all time, nor a disintegration of a spirit intelligence. This I consider the most important of all.

Now I wish to add a few words in relation to my coming to you. I find it is possible for me to come to you in our circle of seven, and at times I can come to you when you are alone in your home, but find it more difficult, and cannot always gather what you wish to give me. However, this is only a matter of development, and I am confident that in the near future I can come to you and communicate with you in a satisfactory manner. My dear father, Hasdrubal, was thankful to give you a demonstration of his presence upon the slates, and as our friend Katora has formed conditions for other phases of communication with you, the time is ready for her

to come. I must close now, with kind remembrance to our faithful band of seven. It is my desire that the best conditions be formed for better results in our circle. Let us continue on until we shall reach all that is possible. The highest and noblest conditions can be reached by those who seek. With fond hopes for our success, I am, ever faithfully your friend in spirit,

CLYTINA.

No. 14.

September 21, 1897.

DEAR SPIRIT FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

Once again I am permitted to come en rapport with you, and give to you something interesting connected with life, as it is, to me and my friends in spirit, very dear to me. My dear mother and father come first; then others who accompany me here to learn more of life in the material conditions. I also have the pleasure this morning of introducing to you two loved spirits, who come to witness the results received here, in name Katenela and Amarona, who come from a far off planet. Through them I have gained much knowledge of the conditions prior to my existence, both in connection with their home in Jupiter, and also our own little sphere, of which you and I are inhabitants in different conditions. I have gathered from these two friends that the planet Jupiter was, ages ago, in a similar condition to our own in the way of spiritual unfoldment, etc., but has progressed now to a state which is equal, in its most crude form, to our own condition in comparison with the fifth and sixth spheres of spirit life. You can gather an idea from this of the conditions existing

there. I have also had a longing to know just how our own earth came to be inhabited by the human intelligences consisting of man and woman. My esteemed friends tell me that our planet was at one time a very small portion of the sun, which, through natural results of time, was formed into a planet of itself, and in time appeared life, giving plants, grass and flowers and the lower conditions of animal life. Then it was that spirits from other planets came here to make this their home, and in the course of time degenerated from their ethereal condition of spirit, to the material condition now existing on the earth. To be sure there must have been states still back of this, to cause the conditions of life that humanity has passed through since this time, as we realize in ourselves a higher infinite power about us, which seems to shape the destinies of this vast universe. At least under the many experiences in which I have been placed, I have felt and sensed this same wonderful force of infinite power and wisdom. Those beyond say this comes from the higher powers and forces that have advanced far beyond our conception. For I myself can see so much beyond that I cannot comprehend, as I know is the same with

you and others seeking the light. We can only realize how little we know, when we delve into the subjects of life immortal.

I find it impossible, just now at least, to give you intelligently an account of affairs existing upon the planets of Mars and Jupiter, though I feel that I shall be able to do so in the near future. The conditions are limited in which I can express myself. However, I am more than pleased with what I have been able to give you, and I will say candidly that our little circle here, together with these sittings, have been most interesting to me. Through me, many have come en rapport with the material conditions here. I am interested far more in the dear undeveloped souls, now inhabiting the mortal form on earth, than I can tell, and when I go with you at times, and witness these crude conditions of life, not only among the poor and poverty-stricken, but among those who are considered wise and intelligent beings, Oh, how I long to gather them together, and proclaim the tidings of joy and gladness to these poor souls who know naught of life, its purposes and effects—even many who compare themselves to the worms of the earth, to lie down and die and become no more. It is horrible to me to think of such ignor-

ance, but I will be patient. I can see my way clearly. It is all coming, and our little seven shall form one of the keys that will open the doors of light to those poor deluded souls. We are even now preparing the way, and may the most infinite spirits of love and wisdom give their aid in this glorious cause. Right will prevail; truth will conquer. Love hath its power to build up. None can be lost, but let us speed the day. Let not this unhappiness, mingled with sorrow and despair, reign unchallenged. We shall be with you. In union there is power. Let our light shine out bright and clear. Let each one become as a search light, looking far out into the darkness for some poor struggling soul to bring into the realms of joy and bliss.

I find I must close. I am thankful for your appreciation of my efforts to give you happiness. Welcome the day of gladness when we may all stand together upon the shores of life immortal. Fond remembrance to our faithful seven. Most faithful throughout eternity,

CLYTINA.

No. 15.

September 25, 1897.

DEAR SPIRIT IN THE MORTAL:

Once again we meet here, at the accustomed time and place, to try and do good to one another. I realize that in my efforts to manifest to you, I am at times unable to control as perfectly, or rather to secure control of the forces generated from the organism (physical) of yourself and this medium, for I do not find the forces exactly the same at any time. I hope to give you something on this subject of controlling forces in the near future, but now to our subject.

My mind has been very much taken up with the ideas of man's existence upon this earth, since our last meeting here, and I have followed it up more closely since that time, and with the aid of the dear friend from Jupiter, have been able to arrive at some quite satisfactory conclusions in regard to it. First, I am thoroughly convinced that our earth was inhabited by the spirit intelligences who had had previous experiences upon other planets. In my last communication to you, I used the word degenerated, which does not apply directly to those who first took

on the material form (supplied by Nature as a protection to the spirit), but more directly to their descendants, as you can realize how easy it is for degeneration to take place here in your own material surroundings. To be sure there is a universal law governing this, which I do not fully comprehend. I can realize how the same creative power that created a jelly fish and the animal kingdom, could naturally create a material form for the natural protection of a spirit intelligence, but to me there is nothing in the creation of the animal kingdom that demonstrates that this force of nature would create the immortal soul of man. While some claim that there is only a step between the two, to me one is a reality, while the other, of the animal, is simply a reflection, in a way, of man's individual intelligence. I understand how it was necessary for man, at that time, to exist in a very low and crude condition, with the surroundings in which he was placed, so that, after all the mythology of the ancients, and even of my own race of people, was not altogether a myth. I am not prepared to state at present just how much, for I do not know that. All this has been exaggerated by man, but I have no doubt that this refers to a still more ancient tradition of the visits of spirits from

other planets. However, all this is difficult for me to demonstrate to you, or for those beyond me to demonstrate in the same way to me. From my own experience up to the present time, I believe this explains the presenc of human intelligences, containing the essence of the infinite spirit above, upon this planet, the earth.

Progress has made wonderful strides in the past 2,000 years. This is demonstrated by the extinction of certain animals which inhabited this earth, and we see now developing about you here, on the earth plane, a finer, superior condition of the animal kingdom, which, during the present scientific age, will be largely obliterated; and as a consequence, in the spiritual age you will have none of the animal kingdom to speak of, except in a very refined condition, as they have upon Mars to-day. This is sure to come many years hence, but the way is very clear to me, as I have seen the advancement of the past 2,000 years myself. The animal life in water, and the meat used here now by the masses, is just what it should be for them to exist upon, but as time goes on, their posterity will advance until they live upon a much finer quality of food. Then you will see that everything will become clarified, and purer, finer in quality.

I hope to be a witness to these conditions with yourself and our faithful seven.

We are well pleased with the prospects ahead of us in our little circle, and I can see that some good results will be obtained from our combined efforts. There is a grand work to do, and I would advise to keep an account of each session here on Friday evening, for unless you have this, one of the important features of the circle will be lost. It would assist to form a condition that would be interesting, not only to yourselves in time to come, but also to others, who will read of this circle and the demonstrations received.

Now a word in relation to a very important matter, at least to us in spirit, and all in fact. As I came here this morning, I sense from this medium, a condition of disturbed thought, and from what I am able to learn, I find there is a contemplated change. If this is going to take place, let it be as soon as possible, and look well to the surroundings before the change is made, for we know that much depends upon this for our future work, and I would say to this dear medium to be passive. Do not worry. Everything will be arranged satisfactorily.

I find I must close. With my best thoughts and fond wishes of success to our seven, and thanks to

you, dear one, for your kindness in affording this privilege. My father will give you something soon of interest. Most faithfully,

CLYTINA.

*At this time the psychic contemplated moving his residence, which he subsequently did, by purchasing with funds inherited by his wife a pleasant home at No. 221 Park street, Detroit, where, at the date of this writing he resides, and where the sittings are held.

No. 16.

September 28, 1897.

DEAR FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

You will pardon my not coming in en rapport more quickly, as I had made arrangements for some dear friends to be present this morning, who have never before enjoyed this pleasure of witnessing these demonstrations; and it took up a little time in forming conditions, that they might be as comfortable as possible; and at the same time, I find it a trifle difficult to take control of the forces given out, as it is not only necessary for you here to be in harmony, but also for those in the spirit, present, to be in the same condition of tranquil passivity. Now that we have these conditions here I shall proceed to write.

In former letters I have taken up the subject of the manner in which our planet, the earth, became inhabited with intelligent human beings, possessed of a soul and spirit in one, forming a whole, which makes up the substance man. As I have explained heretofore, I am convinced that these intelligences came from other planets, just which one, or whether

confined to any particular one, I am not able to state positively, but from my investigations I should judge that many different planets had contributed to make up these conditions. Now we go still farther back into the subject, and wish to know the source from which the first spirits emanated. This seems, at first thought, a difficult problem to solve. However, I can, at least, give you my own ideas of the subject, and others from whom I have gained my knowledge of life. I believe that there is one great head of infinite wisdom consisting of the Deity, force of all life, brought into action by a natural condition of forces blended, in which all that is good is contained. As we let our mind dwell upon this, we must concede that these conditions are much too refined for our conception. However, there is no doubt that these natural conditions formed other individual intelligences, and gave them a spirit, of life force, to be returned when the individuality itself had attained that degree of unfoldment, in the same degree of spirituality as those who gave the spirit. This will be so with all, as when we have advanced to that degree of perfection intended by the natural order of conditions, then shall we remain an indi-

viduality, retaining all the faculties that go to make up a perfect man, the spirit going back to the first creative infinite forces that gave it, for the beginning is the end, and vice versa. As we go farther into these conditions we hope to arrive at more direct conclusions, though if I could express myself in such a way that you would comprehend these matters in the same light as I, we could give still better results. This will all come by advancement.

As I have stated before I have had the pleasure of coming in direct communication with our friends from Jupiter and Mars, and I am invited, with a number of friends, to make a more extended visit to these planets during the next few days, in order to learn more of their real conditions, and at the same time I can explain them to you in a much more satisfactory manner to myself and immediate friends, who are interested in these writings. To be sure, I have visited these planets before, but not in a condition where I could realize and become en-rapport with them, as I wished to do. Now I feel better able to comprehend the real conditions there, and trust that I shall be entirely successful, so that I may give to you in our next communication, what I learn while there.

I become more interested each day in these communications and the work of our little band of seven, and I am confident that when the time comes for you to throw aside all the old mortal form, there will be many dear friends waiting to welcome you to life immortal. I can see how necessary it is for us to keep up these conditions of communication, for as we come in touch with you here, we can make the way brighter, and give our loving influence to make the ills of material life more pleasant, giving a knowledge of a better life to live, whereby each spirit intelligence may advance to the highest degree of love and wisdom. This contains all the conditions to make life happy.

And now, in closing, I would ask each one in our band of seven to be patient with us in our work, as it is our purpose to do that which will tend to advance the ones we love. We are all doing nicely, and the interest displayed by loving friends is most beautiful to behold. My own dear father and mother join in kind wishes, and also our dear friend Katora, who was pleased to speak with you last night,* and in the near future will come and give you an outline of her earth's experience. I must close now for this

time. With kind remembrance to our loved seven, most faithfully, in spirit and truth,

CLYTINA.

*At these meetings of the seven, separate invisible individualities were able to manifest through vocal speech, and conversation was carried on with them with equal understanding as with persons in the material; their individualities and peculiarities being plainly recognizable.

No. 17.

October 2, 1897.

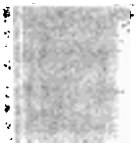
DEAR FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

I assure you of my great pleasure in coming to you this day. Since my last communication to you, I have passed through some very interesting experiences, which I will relate to you as best I can from the conditions afforded. Shortly after giving the message to you, my dear father and mother, with Plato, Lucilius, Althus, Katora and myself, met at our home in spirit life, which is situated in what we term the third degree of the celestial sphere of life, and under the guidance of Amarona, started upon a visit to Mars and Jupiter. It was necessary for us to make our way through space inhabited by spirits of still greater advancement than ourselves, with the exception of Amarona, and it was a very peculiar experience, for while to Amarona these spirits were visible, as myself and friends, we could see nothing, though sensing the presence of individual intelligences. This, we understand, was because, being in a still finer condition than ourselves, it was impossible for us to discern that which was finer than our sight could behold. We passed on in this way for some time, though our guide informed us that we

could reach our destination in another way still more quickly; but we felt that the present method would not be so tiresome and would be more interesting to us. I might describe the conditions in this way, that the difference was that now we were in our natural spirit forms, while in arriving at our objective point more quickly, it would be necessary to go in spirit, leaving our bodies behind. However, it was our desire to visit those upon the planets of Mars and Jupiter, in a manner that we could come more closely en rapport with those who had developed to a condition that we could best comprehend and appreciate. (It was in spirit that I visited Mars previous to this time). Gradually we emerged into conditions that seemed more in harmony with ourselves, and felt more free. Our guide explained that we were now entering the third sphere of spirit life of Mars, and soon those intelligences in spirit became visible to us, and we met and talked with them. These friends were of a form similar to our own, in stature larger than the average man upon the earth, and of a darker type than the Caucasian race upon our planet. In intelligence and spiritual advancement, you will see they were beyond us, as our third sphere in spirit life in the celestial sphere

seemed in harmony with their third sphere from Mars. True, Plato seemed to sense the conditions before, as he is some in advance of the others of our party. We found these dear friends very busy in many different ways, trying to assist their loved ones on into their sphere of life that they might enjoy their loving presence.

Our guide, Amarona, who had taken upon himself a form in comparison with our own, now led us towards an immense structure, and entering, we were ushered into a large corridor, from which we were led into separate rooms. Here we found a change of clothing, as you would term it, though to me it was simply taking on a finer substance that had been prepared for those who desired to enter the Hall of Learning. After refreshing ourselves, we gathered in the waiting room, and were then led into the Hall of Learning, as it was termed. An immense throng of people were gathered there to learn of the wisdom of life, and also to witness and listen to an oration to be delivered by our dear Plato. We were conducted forward to the large platform and seated comfortably, and were introduced one by one. My dear sister Althus first spoke, then my dear mother, and then I was introduced, and I felt within myself



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my mind going out to the dear seven, and related in a few words the conditions and work in which I was engaged here. This was received with great interest. Then my dear father gave a short lecture, and Lucilius followed him. Then our dear Plato came forward, and delivered an oration which was grand, and worthy of the great enthusiasm manifested by the audience.

I find I must continue my experience in another letter, as I wish to speak before closing upon a thought which I see has disturbed you somewhat since I came on Saturday. I believe you call it in reference to the spirit and individuality. I will try to make it a little more plain. The spirit of life, in which the individuality and souls are clothed as a protection, is thrown off when the individual progresses to that degree of perfection where he comes into the Deity force of life, there being a division of spirit and soul individuality, and becoming a separate individuality, or I should say, remaining a separate individuality through all time. With fond remembrance to our faithful seven, I remain, most affectionately, CLYTINA.

No. 18.

October 5, 1897.

MY DEAR FAITHFUL FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

I assure you that I appreciate your feelings of thankfulness for the messages I am permitted to give to you by the conditions you are so kind to furnish for them, for you must remember that this is my mission here, and I am only too happy to be able to have the opportunity to come to you and manifest my presence, and give my experiences of the life beyond; and I, too, join you in your prayer to the Infinite Father, and know that our prayers will be answered, for this work must go on. Now is the time, and we must do that which is intended for us. There is so much to do to elevate the many poor souls to the heaven above, where the love of the Deity force may reach out to them, and bring them into a realization of their condition. I had decided not to speak of this again, but when I see these conditions and the misery and suffering, all caused by their ignorance of these universal laws, I long to take each one individually by the hand and point out the way of life.

But now I must continue my experience in connection with our visit to Mars. After our esteemed

friend Plato had delivered his grand oration, we went from the Hall of Learning and were introduced to many dear friends, and talked to them in reference to subjects of spiritual advancement, and related our different experiences in our respective surroundings. As I have said before, we found comparatively the same conditions with these friends in their degree of life as with our own spiritual development, so that I consider this the most pleasant part of my visit, for it was as though we were at home.

After meeting my dear friends we bade them adieu, feeling grateful for the beautiful manner in which we had been received, and continued our journey on into the second sphere of spirit life. Here the conditions gradually changed, and instead of our being unable to see these dear spirits, as in the higher spheres, we were invisible to them. However, we were led towards a large structure, something in comparison with the one we had visited in the third sphere, and here I found that conditions had been prepared for our reception, similar to those we had made in our own sphere for the re-embodiment of others higher than ourselves. In fact, we simply clothed our spiritual forms in the ethereal conditions, in keeping with the conditions of these dear spirit friends,

and by this method were able to appear in their own condition, and were visible to them. They invited us to deliver a few remarks, of which our dear Plato was the spokesman, he introducing us to the friends gathered there. It was a special meeting, I learned, and was for the purpose of assisting in the departure of those who had developed to a condition in comparison with the third degree of spirit life. It was a beautiful sight, and each face was radiant with happiness for the expected pleasure of merging into higher spheres of life.

After bidding these dear ones farewell, we journeyed on, still retaining the forms we had taken on in the second sphere of life, and soon came into the aura surrounding the planet Mars, and here also we found friends waiting to receive us, who had been apprised of our coming. Here again we took on the ethereal forms of the same substance as these dear friends, and were invited to visit the many institutions of learning, etc., which had been built for that purpose. It was wonderful to behold the passiveness which seemed to pervade the atmosphere everywhere one looked. Happiness seemed to reign supreme, and my mind came back to my own dear planet, the earth and its inhabitants, who were so far behind in

this condition of life. Birds of brilliant plumage were all about, and I beheld no animals only of a specimen of sheep, which seemed to be so much finer than our own of earth, that there was scarcely a comparison, except in form. I learned that the garments worn were manufactured from this very fine wool, which grew upon these animals, which was of a most superfine texture. In my next letter I will endeavor to explain the different methods and customs practiced by these dear friends, which will be interesting to you.

I find it rather difficult to control this morning. I am pleased with your intentions in regard to these messages, and with fond remembrance to our faithful seven, I will close for this time. Most faithfully yours in spirit,, CLYTINA.

No. 19.

October 9, 1897.

DEAR SPIRIT IN THE MORTAL:

'I am happy this day to come in spirit and continue my experience in Mars. After we had each one taken on the form in comparison with those dear friends by whom we were received, and after a few remarks delivered in his own beautiful manner by our dear friend, Plato, we retired to a large structure, conducted by friends, and found that this was the hour for partaking of the food necessary for the ethereal body to exist upon. We found a massive structure, and a large table was prepared which encircled the building, which was itself in a circular form. We found food was already prepared, which consisted of a fluid, in color pure and crystal like; in fact, colorless. The food itself was similar to the bread of our time, except of a finer quality. All manner of vegetables were upon the table, though of a different variety, and were of different qualities, it being understood that the organism would partake of that which would be best adapted to it. I discovered that the food was placed before the people who seemed especially adapted for it, and found that there were

what we might term the physicians of that particular district, who were considered the most intelligent of any in this way. I found that these spirits could discern, by a look, the food necessary for one to partake of. This seemed to be the most essential part, and I inquired how this could be done so readily without mistake, and was told by the color of the astral aura surrounding the spirit. I then noticed, for the first time, that which I had not at first perceived, that each person was surrounded by a peculiar halo of light, mostly partaking of the lighter shades of blue, some lighter, some darker according to their degree of development. I also learned that there were many different districts, according to the colors, and that the surrounding conditions materially were in comparison with the spirits inhabiting that part. I found they knew much of your earth, which was entering from red to green colors in development, and seemed to judge of every condition by the color surrounding it. Even the food, tables, chairs, building seemed tinged with this color of delicate blue.

We were seated as the guests in a part set aside for that purpose. I learned that each individual was seated according to his or her quality of development, where harmony would be established, and indeed it

seemed as though everything was imbued with the happiness of the hour. We were thus seated about two hours, I should judge by your time, or thereabouts. Music was everywhere, and each one seemed trying to outdo the others in making happiness and pleasantness the theme, and well did they succeed. We finally retired to the gardens, which seemed to partake of these colors. We were led into the gardens where the fruit in abundance was growing, and from what I could understand was similar to our own, only the quality was finer, and instead of the plants or vines being out of shape, or scragly as we would say, each was perfect within itself. I learned that this enabled them to gather the perfect fruit, with a far greater degree of concentrated life force contained therein. We then visited other large structures, and one in which I was most particularly interested was the building set aside for the dear mothers who were to bring other intelligences into existence. Every condition to establish pleasant surroundings was given here. Sweet music and also a hall of learning was connected; in fact, everything which tends to uplift and elevate the mind to the higher faculties of perfect life was found here. No clouds were here; all was sunshine, peace and hap-

piness combined in one. Truly, I found these dear souls have found the true way to live, and once again my mind came back to my own dear planet, and I thought of its present condition, and of the time when these same conditions would exist upon my own home, the earth. Here was taught the first principle of life. The first lesson was to know of the color surrounding each. The effect was to develop still more of the spirit of love and wisdom, that each one might grow in spiritual unfoldment, knowing full well that the effect of life was the development of the faculties which go to make up a perfect being. Let us each one hasten to bring about this condition on earth by giving renewed energy, and in teaching those in the mortal and disembodied the true way. We can learn this in spirit, and will meet here for that purpose with our faithful seven.

I find I must close now. Be patient within yourselves, knowing full well that what we do is alone for thine own good. Fond remembrance to our faithful seven. Yours most sincere in the cause of truth, CLYTINA.

No. 20.

October 12, 1897.

DEAR FAITHFUL SPIRIT IN THE MORTAL:

You have indeed been so faithful to the promise you gave to me that I feel it deserves acknowledgement from myself as well as others interested, and if I could only secure the aid and interest of a hundred more such noble spirits, it would be such an easy task to interest another hundred, and, increasing in the same proportion, we should soon be able to bring the people of our loved earth out of darkness, ignorance and superstition into the light of immortality. However, it only rests with you and me to do our duty. We can accomplish our part, and we will not lose by it, if we should trespass upon others and guide their ship into the right path, where truth may shed its rays of sunshine. Once in this path, and the conditions fully realized, nothing can keep it from its true course in life.

But I must now give my attention to the continuation of the account of our friends of Mars. We were taken into many different conditions of life, some of which consisted of a darker color, some a lighter blue, but the ideas of all are to so live that their own colors may become lighter; for they profit

by witnessing the happiness of those who strive to unfold their spirituality and make happiness for all. They have advanced to that condition where the good influences predominate. This, of itself, creates an atmosphere of good to eradicate evil.

Our seven were invited to spend the few remaining hours with a friend of Amarona's, Althumar by name, who had risen to the position of physician chemist, and other branches of science. This was very interesting to each one of us, for our host went into some of the conditions of the people who existed in the scientific age, and who had attained a very high degree of intelligence in the method of using machinery, in all its many ways for the material use of man. For instance, they had mastered the science of perpetual motion, and applied the natural vibratory action to delicately constructed parts of machinery. Electricity was used only to give light, but they had carried it to a very high degree, and brought out its greatest possibilities. They had gathered it from nature in its forms, through what we would term non-conductors, for those here of earth have not yet learned that it is these same so-called non-conductors which are the greatest conductors of the electrical fluid; but in the form taken into action

by our friends from Mars, it could be used as a force generating itself in its own action. Aerial navigation was used with success, the first condition necessary being the proper metallic substance, composed of aluminum, steel and copper. All these subjects had been brought out fully in the manner of manufacturing all kinds of metal, using that best adapted to its purpose. The wrong idea prevails in regard to storing electricity. According to their ideas it is impossible to store this subtle fluid, but it can be gathered by having the proper metallic substances as an attraction. In other words we have the conditions simply reversed. According to their ideas the method of travel was that such large currents of vibration were started in motion, and cars were so arranged that they could enter this current or leave at will, and at the same time reach a great speed. I should judge that, according to our way of calculating, we could travel about 10 to 20 miles a minute under the same conditions, but these conditions must all be brought about by development of all the people, and this cannot be accomplished at once by the efforts of one or two persons, any more than you can unfold your own spirituality, and by your doing so, place the world in the same condition

as yourself. No, these conditions are only brought about by the world becoming ready for them; in fact, it would be utterly impossible for our friends from Mars to use any of their scientific inventions here on earth, from the fact that the people and their advancement would affect the conditions; just as it has been in the past, as yourself have witnessed, that each advancement of the people was marked by an equal advancement in their method of using different machinery. According to the advancement, many wonderful conditions of a marvellous nature exist with these advanced people, and I am only thankful that I am able to see these same conditions being lived up to by our own dear people of earth. The first condition that must be brought about is in our government and social laws. These must soon change and give place to more civilized and intelligent methods, but as a matter of fact, it will only come from a demand and necessity for it, created by the spiritual development, for the spiritual is to uplift, the material to degenerate to lower depths of life. God speed the day when this will come to all mankind. We should not feel discouraged, for I learn there are other

worlds still below us in development. By our advancement we can aid them. May the infinite force of love and wisdom guide you and our faithful seven to peace and glory. Yours eternally faithful,

CLYTINA.

No. 21.

October 16, 1897.

DEAR SPIRIT FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

I am thankful to be here with you once again, for it means so much to me, and every time I come to you seems to lessen the distance between our conditions in spirit and the dear ones of earth life. It has been a wonderful condition that has been established through the forming of our faithful seven; in fact, it is all coming right, as you here in the mortal are ready to receive, and for this reason it is our purpose to strive to advance the conditions of all, for upon your advancement, much depends. It will only be the means of shortening the time for the universal happiness of all to begin upon earth, for I find there are other worlds which are depending upon our advancement, as they come under the influence of our planet, the earth. This I have learned from those above who have made a study of these conditions, and understand something of the universal condition of mankind. Those above us can work through us, we can work through you, and you through others still below you in development. Once this chain of communication is established, it will only be a short time

until we can all rise together, and save some from the undeveloped conditions through which we have passed.

I must return to my subject again, for I realize it is more interesting to you, but my mind continually runs to the thought of giving my knowledge to the world in order to save them from so much sorrow. In my last letter to you upon the scientific age which Mars passed through, I gave to you an outline of the conditions they had perfected in scientific lines. At the present time these happy souls can travel without the use of artificial machinery, other than their own body, at least in most instances, can use the soul power and individual self entirely independent of the physical, and can converse with friends who may be upon the other side of Mars, with as much ease as you would converse with one another while in the same room. This is accomplished in two ways, in the way of telepathy, and also by the use of peculiar instruments of the nature of a sounding board; and these same currents of vibratory action are used, but so delicately constructed are these instruments that no three are in the same degree of tune, as it were, and as a consequence, the sounds given off from one are reproduced upon the other one in harmony with

it, so that, in this manner, sounds can be reproduced for long distances, and I suppose these same conditions will exist here upon earth.

Now a word as to the atmospheric conditions. These are not exactly in control by these learned people, but they conform to the conditions to such an extent that they have succeeded in equalizing the conditions in a way that storms are not necessary, and they only receive what is necessary for them. Harmony is the great law, and so closely have they conformed to this that their surroundings are controlled in a measure by their own lives, and these same conditions will be gradually brought out here as well in future. I wish it were in my power to now bring these happy conditions to earth, but it is impossible. We must bide our time to see these happy conditions enjoyed by our people of earth.

We were prepared to take our departure from Mars, and under the guidance of our faithful Amarona, to visit his planet, Jupiter. After bidding all a fond farewell, we assembled in the hall dedicated for that purpose and soon took on our natural forms again, and prepared to journey with our dear friend. Soon we came into the third sphere of life and were welcomed as before; we were known

among them all, for this was similar to our own natural condition, and besides we were to be joined here by other friends who were to accompany us upon our visit to the glorious planet of Jupiter. I cannot express the grandeur of Mars, but this was not to be compared with the radiance of light which surrounds Jupiter. It must be experienced to comprehend it, and even then, one would have to be an inhabitant of that beautiful planet ere he could enjoy its most wonderful conditions of advancement. I look forward to the time when I can take my faithful seven and other friends in spirit and visit these scenes most beautiful to behold.

I must close now, with my loving influence to assist you and our seven. Most faithfully your devoted friend in spirit, CLYTINA.

No. 22.

October 19, 1897.

DEAR FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

Once again it is my blessed privilege to come and communicate with you. It is so real to me, all these conditions of life, for I have benefited by coming in touch with you here in the mortal form. I understand how we have all benefited by these conditions brought out by our coming together. I am coming nearer to you each day, and it seems as though our forces are blended more harmoniously each time I come en rapport with you. So with this knowledge to assist, let us continue to pursue the methods taken up, and soon we can realize more than we ever dreamed of. There is one thought that I must bring out in reference to the dear spirits of the lower order, and some time we wish to use the force in our seven, for the one purpose of bringing as many as we can into the light. I cannot express the joy and happiness I experience each day and hour, as I see my fondest hopes being fully realized in our work, and all through your promise to me. May the most infinite spirit of wisdom bless you, for it is my prayer. True, it may not be much to you, but it is to the world, for all you do is so much towards the advancement of all.

Now I must give my attention to my experience as we journeyed on toward Jupiter. As I explained, the beauty and grandeur of the conditions there cannot be fully appreciated by any except those who have inhabited this planet and advanced up to it, for I am sure I could not fully comprehend it, though I have advanced far enough so that I could realize all there was for me to learn. Our friend Amarona is in the seventh sphere of life in Jupiter, for upon this planet the conditions are so much more perfect than the conditions of our own earth, that the highest and lowest conditions are coming nearer together, bringing many different spheres into one. In this way, while our dear friend Amarona is in the highest sphere of life connected with Jupiter, he is only seven degrees or conditions away from the first condition existing upon Jupiter itself. In time, Amarona explained to me, that all might be in one condition surrounding Jupiter, and all would be in the same degree of development, for in order to advance to the condition outside of their own planet they must be ready, one and all, to come en rapport with the forces still beyond them in spiritual unfoldment. In this way you can realize what it means for us to educate those of our own dear earth into the proper conditions of life.

We passed on through the home conditions of Amarona to the planet Jupiter itself. Then I began to feel more in my own home conditions, as it really was in comparison with my own home in spirit life. Oh, the conditions of these dear happy souls are indescribable! I only wish I might take you by the hands and lead you directly into these conditions, but it is enough to know, dear one, that you are now preparing the conditions that will take you into the higher conditions, and fit you for this glorious spiritual existence. Upon this planet of Jupiter, similar conditions exist, but of a higher order. Here the colors partake of the light purple hue. To be sure it is not to be compared with the crude colors here on earth. Even the atmosphere is filled with peace and music, such as is only heard in such beautiful conditions. One is happy by being continually surrounded by such beautiful conditions, and as I gazed upon the beautiful scene before me, I consoled myself with the thought that some time my own dear people would enjoy this same happiness. Can you wonder that I long to let my people know of the truth, and bring them to a realization of this happiness and joy that awaits them, simply obtained by an effort on their own part, for they will find so many dear friends ready to give a

helping hand? We were led by our dear friend Amarona to the building intended for our meeting with these happy souls, and were introduced to those gathered there to receive us, and one peculiar condition was brought out here. It seemed that those above in some of the higher spheres had come here and taken on a form in comparison with ours, in order to better enjoy our visit, and could be identified by the higher and ethereal colors of light which surrounded them, and as I sat with my loved friends and companions, viewing the scenes about me, and witnessed the faces radiant with joy and peace, I felt so happy within myself, for it was most impressive, and the influence was sublime. My soul thrilled with pleasure as I realized all the happiness to be experienced by our faithful seven and the millions of souls, but my desire is to be near and witness this condition, for I shall be one to guide you there. I must close. With fond remembrance to my faithful seven, your friend in truth, CLYTINA.

No. 23.

October 23, 1897.

MY DEAR FAITHFUL FRIEND:

I come to you this day with feelings of joy. My happiness is far greater than I ever realized before, for we have succeeded in establishing conditions whereby we can communicate directly with the friends of Jupiter, and this is of vast importance at this time. I will explain, that you may better understand my meaning. When we were visiting Jupiter under the guidance of Amarona, an inhabitant of that beneficial planet, beneficial to all who may come under its influence, we formed a circle in which many took part. This is one way in which they strive to reach other conditions below them in spiritual unfoldment. This happened to be one of the hours for sitting. The effect in so doing is to give out thoughts that will reflect out to other worlds, and in a concentration of thought in this way, they can reach the poor, undeveloped souls struggling for the light. These dear friends have especial times devoted to this method of uplifting humanity, and in order to do good they must send out these thoughts long distances, in order to come in contact with those whom they aid. We of this world come under their

influence direct, and as special preparations are made for these conditions, each person who is a member of a circle meets with them at the structure intended for that particular purpose, where there are thousands in one vast circle. All are seated in perfect harmony inside; then another circle forms directly outside of this one, and so on, in order, until there are several hundred circles, one within another. The seats are raised one above another, only it is the reverse of our custom, as those in the centre occupy the highest positions, the seats forming a pyramid. Then a prayer is offered or spoken, that is, a blessing is invoked from the highest deific forces to assist and guide them in their efforts to reach humanity. It is indeed an impressive scene, and when one stops to think of all these dear souls meeting at one and the same time in different places, consisting of all the inhabitants of this planet, in order to concentrate their thoughts to aid those of the universe who are still in crude, undeveloped conditions, and the wonderful forces of good created by these dear souls, we must feel within ourselves the sublime spirit of goodness manifested by them, and just as they meet to assist those of our planet and home, so may we meet together and send out good thoughts that must create

better conditions upon earth, for when we realize that thought is a reality, a something that permeates the atmosphere and all the universe, and has such a powerful effect upon the lives and actions of our fellow man, it behooves us to give out pure thoughts continually, and so live that we can assist our fellow man to follow our example, and place himself in a condition where he may be happy within himself; for it is a form of hypnotism, that as we give out thoughts of good, its acts upon those who are sensitive to our own especial thought, and controls in a measure their actions. This is clearly demonstrated every day to me, as I see those conditions of mind given out here and there, and also witness the result of this same cause in some other place or organism, that is in harmony with the cause. This is a universal law, cause and effect, for the causes of to-day will produce the effects of to-morrow. In this way we can understand what a wonderful amount of good can be accomplished by these combined forces, working as one.

Before leaving Jupiter we made arrangements whereby we could sit together in our own home, at the same time these dear friends gathered together. Yesterday was our first effort, where we felt any

perceptible force working in unison with our own; and it clearly demonstrates that we are going to do a wonderful amount of good by coming in direct touch with them in this way. This is the reason why I suggested that we use the forces in the near future for the good of the undeveloped of our dear earth. I am convinced we can do much to uplift mankind, and bring those in darkness into a real existence. In the near future, I am going to give my dear father an opportunity to come here and write you a communication; also my dear mother and sister Althus, and many others of my dear friends who will be happy to come and give you a message of interest. I shall assist them, for I am certain it will be for good.

I would say to this dear medium, be patient; you have friends in spirit and also friends in the mortal, at least one I know very well. There is much work we may do through you, and our desire is to have you remain here among these friends that we may continue this grand work. Bless you all my faithful seven. Remain together. I thank you again. Your faithful friend, CLYTINA.

No. 24.

October 26, 1897.

MY DEAR FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

Once again I have the blessed privilege of coming to you here and communicating. You refer to my last letter in reference to eradicating all the evil conditions that tend to hold down the beautiful, gentle spirit that exists in each one of your mortal bodies. It is not my desire to find fault with any one of my faithful seven; no, far from it. I am only afraid that I have said too much, for me all these conditions are so very useless. But when I speak in this way, I do so from my own condition, knowing full well that I have not the material conditions to contend against that you here in the mortal have. At the same time, I am confident that you will agree with me, that it is ever so much better to purify the material while here on earth, than to wait until you come to spirit.

I am sure that after listening to the pleading of the poor souls who visited your circle on last Thursday evening, you can conceive of the conditions of the spirit who has passed through all this evil. To be sure your conditions are far different, for you have not taken life from the mortal. Still you are using,

in part, the same weapons that helped to drag them down and poison the home of the spirit, for it is very certain that the spirit must partake of the conditions that the mortal prepares for it; and right here I must add that the conditions brought out in our little circle in our last sitting were not alone for the benefit of the fallen spirit, for as I have said before, you cannot assist the low without lifting up your own personality. This is one of the great lessons to be learned by the masses, now existing upon the earth. I am confident that if each one in our faithful seven will strive to eradicate all these impure conditions, the results will exceed far beyond anything ever received by mortal while in the body. By your establishing these conditions you will attract the highest and purest intelligences near you, and this of itself will tend to give you strength and power. I am confident that none of you realize your great worth upon this plan, but this will all come in time, and each one of our seven will awaken to the realities of life. True, there may be those on earth with whom you are brought in daily contact, who may not understand you, but how many hundred can be brought to see what this grand philosophy can do for mankind.

As you progress, you will attract influences about you that will be a barrier to the undeveloped conditions. Now the question arises in your mind, how can I best accomplish this? My dear friend, there is not any particular condition to make, nor is it for me to say what shall be cast aside first. That all depends upon your conditions and surroundings, for it is true, that which is most evil to one may not be so with another; therefore it is important that we all may see our own imperfections first; then we can throw them off, and turn our attention to other conditions. There is no end to purifying the soul, the objects of our little circle will be fully demonstrated in the time to come, and we shall each one be benefited and lifted up to a higher condition of purity, and by the wisdom thus gained, become more divine, with greater power within ourselves to aid mankind.

In my visit to the planets of Mars and Jupiter, more especially upon Mars, I could realize the comparison of these happy souls to our dear planet, and could easily trace the steady march of progress they had made during the past centuries. Once in a condition similar to our earth, they have gradually unfolded to a heavenly condition. This, I am happy to say, originated from the same efforts that we are

putting forth now in our meetings. To me the results are plainly shown. I can see my faithful seven as they march onward and upward, until the day will come that there will be a chair vacant, and this will be filled by some worthy soul who can continue to fill the place, and our dear soul who has gone on to join the hosts of angel friends, can return and add his or her force to carry on this grand and noble work. We will not stop to consider all this work before us. We will only look forward to the next meeting, doing what we can to gather the lessons taught. There is a lesson for each one to learn. Every one connected with our circle has dear spirit friends in all stages and conditions of life. It is our purpose to connect a chain of communication from the highest to the lowest.

My dear friend, you have done well thus far, and I thank you for the manner in which you have kept your promise to me. All my own dear friends are interested in the conditions established. We have force enough to accomplish our purpose, but these forces must be equalized and harmonized, ere we can derive the good from them. Your dear friends have done well thus far. Let us all strive to do better. We can; I am sure of it. I know that each one of the

members of our circle, both in the mortal and spirit, will agree with me in this letter. I thank you again for your prayer in my behalf. Let us all have the same thought for the progress of all. May the infinite forces of light guide you safely into your home. Your faithful friend in spirit,

CLYTINA.

No. 25.

October 30, 1897.

MY DEAR FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

Once again we meet here to commune together. Oh, most blessed privilege, to be able to establish this chain of communication from the very highest to the lowest. Though we have not accomplished this yet, we have now clearly demonstrated that we can do so, and that, in itself, is sufficient to spur us on to still greater efforts in behalf of humanity. And now that I have experienced these conditions of late, I realize the grand purpose in our visit to Mars and Jupiter. It is wonderful. Our friends of Jupiter are certainly worthy of all the blessings they receive and enjoy at the present time, for they have passed through all the crude conditions as ourselves, and still they have come out victorious in every way, and have now passed through the spiritual age, that is, in the near future they will, and be in the same condition in every way, and can mingle together upon the planet of Jupiter and the environments surrounding it. When this is accomplished they will come in touch with still other planets that are more highly developed, for this is a universal law. As these dear friends advance, they will be better able to assist us,

for it is necessary to work together. The work is not confined to a few, but it embraces all in the universe.

I can see how so much good may be accomplished in our circle by the experiences of our last meeting, and I know that my dear friends and myself shall be able to come and stand in your midst, and that we shall be visible to you in the mortal. It is only a question of equalizing the vibratory forces, for we, being in different vibrations than you here, cannot come en rapport with you, until these vibrations are lessened to a degree in comparison with your own. Therefore, in mediumship, it is simply where the sensitive may come into the same degree of vibration in harmony with the spirit manifesting.

There is also another condition that should be understood by those seeking to come en rapport with their friends of a high degree of development. This should be carefully considered, to so live materially that you may come in direct touch with the influences of a higher, for unless you are in such fine conditions, both materially and spiritually, they must needs have spirits of a low order to come between. In this manner much of the good is lost, the same as receiving pure, clear water through

impure, contaminated conditions. Dear friend, I cannot conceive what wonderful results could be received in our own little circle, were every impure condition thoroughly eradicated. Mind I am not finding fault with you, for I consider that everyone has done well thus far, but it does please me, and the hosts of angel friends to see the disposition of all to strive to do better gradually. We can lead you up to a condition where you can be able to comprehend the conditions that should exist on earth, in place of the crude and undeveloped conditions, and I know that we shall, through our faithful seven, establish better conditions on earth; the first being to form conditions to give each individuality an opportunity to unfold and cast off the imperfections, while in the body.

Now that we have entered into this grand work, let us strive to reach the highest conditions possible. We in the spirit life, feel it would be well if we could have music, something low and sweet, for what is more soothing to the troubled spirit than these sweet chords of harmonious vibrations, not especially for ourselves, but for those poor souls that are living in such terrible conditions of torture and misery? Let us endeavor to make our circle an attraction for

these dear friends who have not yet learned of life immortal, and know not that, though they may be ever so wicked in mind, they have dear friends. You will find there are many different natures among these poor souls, and diplomacy must be used in receiving them. You will notice that in communicating with these poor souls, they will be attracted to different ones present in the circle. It will be well to find out first which one can best talk with the spirit, and let that one do the talking. One may come to you best, still another may come to Mr. Michell, etc. In following up this thought closely you will be able to discover what course is best to pursue, and don't be discouraged with the poor souls, for in helping one to a ray of light you assist a hundred. Oh, bless you all. I can see my hopes fully realized. I shall come so near to you, and will do all in my power for your dear friends. Glorious truth, onward and upward will be the watchword.

Fond remembrance to my faithful seven, and to you dear one. My loving influence shall guide you in the path of wisdom's light. Ever faithful,

CLYTINA.

No. 26.

November 2, 1897.

MY DEAR FRIEND IN THE MORTAL:

I assure you that I deem it a special favor to be able to come here, and through this instrument, express my gratitude in a manner that will be understood by you through this form of communication. As I say, I am more than thankful for this privilege to come. It is more than I hoped for. As this is the first time I have ever manifested through these conditions, I trust you will overlook any mistakes I may make. My dear daughter, Clytina, has been urging me for some time past, to come and learn the way, and I must say that it is a wonderful experience to me, fully as much so when, in company with my friends, I visited the planets of Mars and Jupiter, but my thought is for my own people of earth and their welfare, for I realize too well that they need help. Poor souls, I have witnessed more sorrow, misery and undeveloped conditions in our last two meetings, than in my experience, all the more terrible after I have witnessed the joy and happiness that is within the reach of these poor, undeveloped intelligences; and I will say that our band of workers are determined to advance and do all we can to uplift

these friends in darkness. Who could listen to the pleadings of human souls in such distress, and turn them away without a ray of light to guide them into happiness? We will not do this. These dear ones, composing this faithful seven; none of you now realize all this means to humanity. Let the good work go on is my prayer, and my dear wife and children are fully in harmony with this sentiment. We are each one intensely interested in the conditions formed by our loved Clytina, and I bless you, dear friend, for the conditions you have given, and I will repeat once more, command me. I shall endeavor to do anything in my power to assist in this glorious work of redeeming our friends in darkness. I hope to have the privilege of speaking to you in your meetings, and will be pleased to give you an idea of this subject (spirit return) as it was practiced in my time, when in the mortal. Yours for more light to humanity, HASDRUBAL.

MY DEAR ONE:

I desire to come to you this morning, as I feel a wish to express the joy and happiness that exist within my soul. My dear father has been able to come and write to you, and we are advancing more

rapidly than I had any idea of. Could each one see this most wonderful condition as I, how glorious it would be. It is all coming in the right time and place, so plain and distinct, for we are now following the teachings of Nature's own book, that cannot be defaced or changed to suit the fancy of mankind, as has been in other works of divine inspiration; but the laws of nature are immutable and changeless. The same divine, infinite spirit of good gives out its influence for you in the mortal, as in the centuries gone by. The same sun shines upon us, only changed as man's own condition becomes more refined and purified, and requires those finer conditions. In fact, it has always existed, but in undeveloped conditions as well as the pure and refined. Finally we know that all this impurity will be thoroughly eradicated from our dear planet, and we shall live in a different atmosphere of joy and peace. To be sure, it will be so slow and gradual that we can scarcely perceive it. Even now it is growing more perceptible to me than at any time in my experience.

I was present with you last evening in your circle. How happy I was to see the beautiful manner in which you received these poor souls. It was an

interesting scene, and I wish to thank each one of you individually for the kindness manifested towards these poor souls. There is joy in being kind, which none but kind souls know; it throbs within the generous soul like music sweet and low. Oh, bless you all again and again. My love goes out to you, dear one, for your noble efforts to establish this millenial dawn. Peace on earth, good will towards all mankind. This is the condition that must be firmly impressed upon the minds of those dear souls who come looking for the light. Continue to show them the way to happiness. I also wish to thank you on behalf of all for the music. You could not have done better in choosing a more appropriate instrument for our circle. It is my desire to form conditions that each one of my loved ones may come and communicate with you, for in this way they can become better fitted to do more to help the fallen. Fond remembrance to our loved seven. Faithful and true, we are looking forward to our change of meeting place with interest. We know it will be good. Bless you, my dear, faithful friend, CLYTINA.

No. 27.

November 6, 1897.

MY FRIEND:

I have been brought en rapport with the conditions this morning through the aid of my darling Clytina. I feel that my life has been a very happy one, being brought into material existence under very fortunate conditions, which many do not have the advantage of. My dear father, L. Censorinius, and dear mother, Iolenta, formed conditions for my earth's experience that prepared me for the conditions which we all have to pass through. In my early childhood, I was instructed in these spiritual subjects, according to my capacity for comprehending these beautiful lessons, and as a child, understood the law of cause and effect, as applied to the spiritual, at the same time acquiring a knowledge of the purposes of life, and the necessity of keeping the spirit pure and free from imperfection. My father and mother were my only teachers, and I never attended the public classes which many attended, though as far as I can see these were above the schools in this day, and I feel that much depends upon the schooling of the dear children in the beginning. These thoughts should be instilled into the

minds of the child at a time when the teaching will leave a lasting impression upon him. To be sure, much depends upon the conditions previous to the child's birth, though I am confident much of these hereditary conditions might be eliminated by proper training, and when the world comes to the full realization that the schools of learning form the basis for the future conditions of this country, steps will be taken to teach what is best adapted for them to know, that which is most important, the truth concerning life immortal and its true conditions. I suppose I am in advance of the conditions of earth, but you will agree with me in this, that in these schools should be placed competent teachers, capable of teaching the young minds the thoughts that will place them in a position to make life a success. You will see, by this, that I am interested in the dear children, and at the same time I desire this truth to be instilled into the young mind that will assist in overcoming the evil conditions, sorrow and misery which follow the average individuality through this life, and on into life in the spiritual.

I am greatly interested in our meetings here, and I look forward to some most wonderful results to be gained by the conditions you are giving. You

shall have my aid in your earnest endeavor to sow this seed of immortal truth. I thank all for this blessed privilege, and my love goes out to all humanity to uplift them into wisdom's light. Ever in the cause of truth, TELESDA.

MY DEAR BELOVED FRIEND:

I bless you each day for your most noble efforts to carry on this glorious work of enlightening humanity. My dear, darling mother was more than pleased to come and write. She is so kind and good, and when in the mortal, her thoughts were directed towards the children, for she, dear soul, realized the necessity of bringing them into the true conditions, ere they may fill their minds with the inperfections of life, and many times dear mother had cause to be sad when interfering with the children, as some of the neighbors would say. It is even so with the world to-day, but this is giving way slowly to the gradual growth of infinite forces of light, which are giving out good influences and our dear friends from Mars and Jupiter are also assisting us.

Now that we have been able to establish these beautiful conditions, we can see the outcome of our

efforts, not only in this city, but it shall be universal upon earth. Very soon we hope to bring others into this work, independent of our own little circle, and can form conditions to instruct many others, until in time we shall have a place of meeting in this city that will attract the most intelligent minds. You see, I have come closely en rapport with you, and realize the necessity of such conditions. I am informed that this has been tried in other places, but not successfully. I am confident that we have begun this work in the proper manner, and in bringing these poor souls into the light, we will do more than we realize, for once this condition is established, these dear friends shall reach those of their friends that we cannot come en rapport with, and the good work will go on throughout the world. You can safely invite these friends who come to go with you, for it will do them good and they can do you no harm, for your own dear friends can protect you, and also give out a good influence to them.

Bless you, dear one, and all our faithful seven. We shall all be with you, and dear Katora will soon come to you and manifest. My love eternal goes out to you, dear friend. Yours ever faithful,

CLYTINA.

In answer to a question by Mr. Hodges, as follows:

"Are there not numerous meetings now being held in this and other countries where disembodied intelligences from the higher spheres are able to come en rapport with those in the mortal, and the results so attained equally as favorable as those experienced in our meetings of the Seven?"

The following came:

Yes, I have understood that such conditions had been formed in other places, but I know they have not unfolded to where we have in our seven. I have not been able to come directly en rapport with these conditions you speak of, and therefore do not know of them as you. CLYTINA.

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No. 28.

November 9, 1897.

KIND FRIEND:

I am pleased to come and manifest my presence to you in this way. I realize in a measure the conditions you have created by your persistent efforts to do good. Dear Clytina and parents have been so kind to me, and last evening when I came with the rest, and stood with them here, witnessing the sorrow and misery of these friends, my mind went back to the time, long ago, when I was in the mortal, only a child then; but many such influences troubled me when I was living in poor conditions with my dear grandparents, my parents having passed away when I was but an infant. These poor influences would come to me and strive to control me to do evil, but my dear mother was ever near to watch over me and keep me from evil influences, and then I was so happy when Clytina and her dear mother came and took me to live with them. Then such beautiful conditions were made. It was all brought about in such a wonderful way. My mother, with the assistance of Plato, came to Clytina, controlling her hand, and told them of me and how to find me, and even showed to Clytina how I looked, so that

when she, in company with her dear mother, were on their way to find our humble home, she met me, and knew at once that I was the one they were looking for. It was very fortunate for dear grandmother and me, for we were in very poor surroundings, and dear grandmother was so feeble, and I could not do much, only to sell flowers; but I only speak of this early experience that will show you what can be done by the spirit world. I see so much happiness for all the world and the spirit world. Those who have advanced to a higher plane will ever be ready to help humanity, as they know how much the world needs. All this is very wonderful to me. I have watched Clytina, and with her aid have come to-day. Dear sweet sister, she is striving to help some one and add to their happiness. Such noble thoughts and beautiful character cannot help but make an impression upon many who are seeking the light. It is my desire to assist her and all of you. I am very thankfully, ALTHUS.

MY DEAR BELOVED FRIEND:

How happy I am. Surely we are going to bring heaven and earth very close together. Is it not grand that I can aid my dear ones to come so closely

en rapport with you, that they may manifest their presence? It is only strengthening our forces, and adds more power to our band of workers.

I was very happy to realize the conditions that had been established in other places, though I was not cognizant of it, for here in our little meetings is my first experience to come and manifest in the mortal conditions of earth; and therefore I judged that none had advanced so far in establishing conditions as we. I trust there may be thousands of these meetings formed upon the earth to work in conjunction. What a power might be established under such conditions! Force enough could be given out to be felt all over the world, if there were even an hundred such. We are content with the advancement we are making. In our next meeting, we shall have some visitors from the other planets, and trust we shall have such conditions that they may hold communications with you. Oh, I can see such remarkable unfoldment in our meetings. We shall arrange conditions suitable for these dear friends to come, and we look forward to a happy time. We have been giving our forces to lower conditions. Now, we shall come more en rapport with still higher influences, for once we establish communication with the friends of Mars and Jupiter, we can

converse together. Though they may be in their temple in the spirit form, their soul individuality will reach you here, and they may converse with you in your own way of speaking, and using the same language to express themselves. This is a mystery with some, how those in spirit life can communicate with one another, though they may have used entirely different language to express themselves; but in spirit life as each one rises to a high condition of equality, the thoughts are expressed by coming en rapport with one another. There are influences attending your circle from my own sphere in life down to the first. You have not yet come in contact with the first conditions, nor are we prepared yet for them to come, though we know that in assisting one of these in the conditions of the second sphere, when we awaken them to their true condition, they will be of valuable assistance in bringing those below them into this truth; for in order to reach all we must work through those next to them in spiritual unfoldment. This is the reason why we can assist them through the material conditions, much better than we can, direct from spirit; in fact, it is impossible for us to penetrate the darkness which surrounds them, only through your own help. Thus

you will see that you are all necessary to this work. We shall go on bringing out higher conditions each time, and establish other conditions of a similar nature in this city. In time this will develop to a wonderful condition, and be the means of establishing wonderful good for humanity. Bless you all for your sincere efforts, and we hope to soon have better conditions around this medium. I remain as ever, your own faithful one, true to the cause I love,

CLYTINA.

*Yes, dear one, it is possible, but first we must aid to unfold those alone who can reach them, for we cannot. It is much easier to help them by the conditions we have formed in our meetings. Lovingly, CLYTINA.

*Mr. Hodges had asked if it were not possible for the more advanced intelligences to reach directly those in the lower conditions. The above is her answer.

No. 29.

November 13, 1897.

MY DEAR FAITHFUL FRIEND:

How much we have to be thankful for. In coming to you this morning, my mind goes back only a short time, when I found it impossible to communicate with the mortal of my own earth. Even then my constant thought and prayer were to establish a line of communication between those in the mortal and spirit, and when I was first permitted to come to you, I was so overcome with joy that it was difficult for me to keep control. But to-day we have formed conditions which I had not expected to reach for many years to come; therefore my joy at this time is inexpressible.

Since our former communication I have investigated these conditions in reference to temples and meetings in other parts of the country. I find in different parts of your own country that here and there is a soul of high aspirations, seemingly placed there in order to sow the seed of immortal truth. Also in foreign countries I find some progress in this direction. In some parts of India, among the more intelligent, these conditions are highly developed, and alas, my own native home seems to be

very far away from me, though I know there will be a reaction, for the conditions are ready for it. But it seems necessary, in some instances, to sink to such condition of unfoldment, ere the poor souls can come to a realization of their condition. In coming to this conclusion regarding the development on earth, I do so in finding the existing colors. I can not find any, however, that will compare with the bright condition here in our meetings. There are some individuals who have unfolded to a remarkable degree in spiritual attainment, and I am more than thankful that you and I are numbered among the foremost workers in spreading the truth. Thought is sent out from different spheres in spirit life, intended to convey good to those below, but in passing from one to the other, it becomes very imperfect ere it reaches the masses in darkness. My great aim is to form conditions that will be strong enough to attract the lowest undeveloped condition of mankind, and now with the band about you, each one working in harmony with his own friends, in spirit and the mortal, we are prepared to create some grand and beautiful conditions. In our meeting this week, we anticipate a glorious gathering of friends. We intend to bring flowers

and bright conditions from our side of life, and I am sure it would be well if you here in the mortal could decorate your meeting place in a manner that will be attractive to our friends. While it will not be as pure and perfect as the dear friends have in their own home, still the willing spirit to receive will be appreciated, I know.

I assure you that it was very gratifying to both my dear parents, as well as dear Althus to come, and through this method of communication, express their feelings as intelligently as possible. Oh, there are so many worlds to investigate outside of our own little earth, and while it is well to become thoroughly acquainted among our own dear ones first, it is progressive to keep reaching out for more light, to guide us in the paths of truth and wisdom. My love continues to go out to all humanity, when I realize their necessity for better conditions to guide them aright. There is so much to learn, so much to know of the infinite forces of life. I have been trying to keep in touch with those poor souls who have manifested their presence of late. I can say their progress has been truly wonderful, and each one of them will aid some one else to the light, so that we have the universal law of cause and effect in

action, and one brought into the light will reach down for others to bring them into the light to enjoy the same happiness. Sometimes when I stop to think of these dear friends in darkness I wonder how we are able to do so much for them, with the world so dulled in spiritual perception; but I know that the infinite forces are in harmony with our efforts and we will continue, knowing full well that we are imparting truth where it is most needed.

Bless you all, our dear faithful seven and you my dear faithful worker. I shall be happy in knowing thou shalt receive thy reward. With love eternal to guide to wisdom, I remain your faithful,

CLYTINA.

No. 30.

November 16, 1897.

MY FAITHFUL FRIEND:

Kind Greetings. Thus another day has come to bring us all more closely together in one sublime condition of joy, peace and eternal happiness, and we must see to it that no time is lost in this grand and noble work of bringing all humanity into the light. First I wish to express my gratitude for the beautiful manner in which you prepared for the visit of our friends from Mars and Jupiter. My great desire was to take you by the hand, and lead you into the beautiful condition of light. I am sure that you sensed these glorious conditions in a measure, and I find that in the near future we shall be able to come to you quite direct; in fact we shall be able to make our presence felt, and we know it will be a great pleasure to you. I am confident that in our last meeting here we formed conditions of a nature that will be inspiring to do good by all who come en rapport with its gentle influence. These conditions have never before been given, and never before have such exalted intelligences come so direct to communicate, in my experience. We hope to often have the glorious influences with us to aid

in forming pure and noble conditions for humanity, that those who come into a material experience, in the ages to come, will have the benefit of our work. We shall certainly eliminate these crude conditions of misery and pain, and create better influences in which they may live, while in the body to prepare perfect conditions for the life immortal.

In taking up the subject of the Bible I have been compelled to investigate its early history, and those who were instrumental in bringing it into existence; in fact I have been enabled to come very closely en rapport with Eusebius and Josephus, who were closely connected with it. I find that in some instances good thoughts were used in its writing, but I can trace the selfish and avaricious greed of man's creation in the writings. Just why this book has been handed down through ages past, is difficult to understand, though I find it has been changed, time and time again, to suit the fancy of men in the different ages, and written according to their interpretation of the teachings of God. But in many instances it seems that but one idea is to be brought out, and that is a personal creed, and these men who were instrumental in creating these writings confess that it was considered all right to cover up

an untruth, for the sake of promoting their own ideas of how to live. This, in itself, is corruption, and none shall ever suffer more than these same ones, who have perverted the laws of life immortal, in order to gratify a selfish heart, and these same influences are now striving in the spirit life to undo this terrible wrong they have committed, in placing such imperfect teachings before the people of earth, causing so much corruption. These same ones, with others, are also responsible for many millions of lives, souls sent into spirit unprepared to live. It was at a time when there was an effort on the part of the spirit world to shed the light to humanity, and in different parts of the world, manifestations were taking place which began to alarm those cruel men in power. Then it was that they caused to be placed in the Bible those cruel words which have been responsible for so much anguish and sorrow, "Thou shalt not suffer a witch to live." Thus it has been from time immemorial, those in power have been creating their own bible, and so perverted has it become that there are not many truths left, and those that remain are surrounded with so much that is impure, that it becomes useless as a guide to life immortal, and preparing the spirit for the con-

ditions beyond its mortal sphere. But I see the day when these false teachers shall be cast aside, when peace will reign, when the universal laws of the deific forces of life shall be in action, and the power of the infinite will be made manifest. Oh, glorious day, when we can lead them into light, never more to be miserable, but to live in the glorious influences of truth, and the perfect conditions of universal love shall be felt and understood by each individual soul.

I feel, dear one, that your idea of placing these writings before the people is very good, and I thank our faithful seven for this aid in creating these conditions. Again I thank you, dear beloved friend, for your faithfulness to our cause. May you go on in this work of reformation is my prayer. Ever faithfully in spirit, CLYTINA.

No. 31.

November 20, 1897.

To this individuality known as H. C. Hodges I now address myself, this being my first effort in using this method of communication. I find the conditions are quite favorable at this time to come and carry out my purpose. I have been interested in your work here for a long time past, and I see an opportunity to come and be of benefit to you in the work you are bringing out for good. You have certainly established most wonderful conditions, and I am only too happy to join the blessed host that have come here to you, to establish this immortal truth and form heavenly conditions upon earth. I have been co-operating with you in a way, but I now see that I can come to you more closely, and be of help to you in your earnest endeavor to enlighten the world. This, at times, seems a great task, but as you proceed, your experience will be similar to mine, that is, you will be strengthened by your own efforts to do good. Surely there are many opportunities for doing good. I believe that in coming more closely en rapport with you I can assist in bringing out your spiritual perception, in a manner that will enable you to sense more clearly

the presence and thoughts of friends in spirit, at least this is my intention, and I have every reason to believe that I shall be successful. This you will find is necessary to the development in which we hope to attain. This is also necessary with others of our seven, who meet here at different periods for this purpose. There is, in fact, much to be done in the way of development, for it is true that the further you reach out in unfoldment, the more good you can do, for you will be able to come in contact with so many more who need the light. At the same time, you can come more closely en rapport with the higher conditions above. We shall learn how to proceed as conditions form themselves for us to take advantage of them. I shall speak to you in our next meeting, if it is for the best to do so, and assure you of my intense interest in your work. I remain, yours for universal unfoldment, KATORA.

MY OWN DEAR FAITHFUL ONE:

I look forward to our meetings with so much pleasure. They seem to bring us nearer together into one great influence of good. My love goes out to you for the efforts to assist me in my ambition to do good. I feel within my soul to-day, as

ever, that universal love which impels me onward to my duty toward humanity. I can see the good we have already accomplished, and I see still countless souls to save. Oh, my dear one, I bless that glorious day when, through the infinite forces of life, I was brought to you. I know I was directed by a power above, for where else could I have found so true and faithful friendship, so harmonious to myself, so truly interested in the same thought of bringing light to the world? Peace will be thine and eternal happiness will be thy crown. To aid in your noble efforts I see so many bright and loving souls attracted to you. I know that, in you, they will find one who will reach out a helping hand to bring them into the knowledge of immortal life. The world must not make more mistakes; too many have been made in time past. We must take advantage of this blessed privilege to lift up the fallen. There must be some very crude and low conditions on earth, for in some places I sense such misery and anguish, the conditions are so dark, and I tremble for the safety of mankind. Oh, could they awake and see the terrible cruel waves of misery that are rising above them, to carry them out into still greater darkness. But we will not think of this. We will only make

still greater efforts to hasten our work of saving them from their sorrowful condition.

The *beautiful flowers created such pleasant conditions, and seemed to open the way for many to come. I am sure it would be well could we have these conditions in each meeting.

We intend to give some assistance to friends who are anxious to see the light in our next meeting. Now that we have made conditions that we can come nearer to you, we will have more power to assist those of earth. Once again I bless you all, our faithful seven, and you, dear one, I shall guide thee to infinite love. Divine wisdom will come to aid thee. Ever thine eternal, CLYTINA.

Kind friend, I shall remember your request and as soon as possible I will do so, though there seems so much to do. However, I will do as you ask at the right time. CLYTINA.

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*This refers to flowers that were brought into the meeting referred to.

No. 32.

November 23, 1897.

MY DEAR BELOVED FRIEND:

Our efforts to do good on earth continue to meet with wonderful success. I cannot imagine how we could improve upon them. From the very beginning we have all seemed to be in such perfect harmony, that I am confident our work is directly under the guidance of a most infinite power. None could witness the results and not be impressed with the remarkable force back of all this. In our meeting last evening, I was overjoyed to see the marvelous change of conditions brought out; dear souls who had by their own exertions unfolded to the glorious degree of spiritual attainment in which all the colors of the lighter, finer tints are found, for as we find in the different colors shown last evening, which were quite visible to me, but which I understand were invisible to you, each individuality is in different vibrations of action. These vibrations in action produce conditions of themselves, which bring out the colors in a corresponding degree of fineness or otherwise, graduating in their conditions, from my experience, in lightest purple tints down to the coarse red. In this way those who

have unfolded to a degree of spiritual perception, can see the colors, and judge from this the exact condition of the spirit individuality. Both in Mars and Jupiter there is more harmony of colors, while on earth we have many together in different colors. Therefore we cannot expect harmony from inharmony. Our effort is to equalize vibrations which create their own colors into one harmonious whole, the effect being similar to a finely tuned instrument in perfect chord.

With many others we were highly gratified to have our friends, St. Beneditis, Hypatia, Mordecai and others with us, for we know that to come so closely en rapport with these bright intelligences, is to strengthen our own forces, for one must be better by communion with such bright and beautiful angels of light, who have each one, in this existence on earth, been martyrs to ignorance and bigotry. It will ever be so, as long as prejudice and selfish motives hold sway in the soul of mankind. There must be martyrs to pave the way. Dear friend, I am happy to know that the time has now come when the martyrs of to-day will not have to encounter the trials and hardships of those in the past, for, thanks to the infinite spirit of universal love,

these poor, dear souls have not suffered in vain, and now wear the crown of glory for their courage and deeds of kindness. We are gradually gathering around you friends of the higher condition above, and I am sure you will note the most remarkable change which has taken place in the minds of these dear souls, whom we welcomed to our midst to lead to the light, and knowing that these same friends have still other friends in darkness that they will help. Why, my dear one, we shall have a host to meet with us in our weekly gatherings, that will create a power in itself, that will have an effect upon those now disinterested.

I wish to be remembered to our faithful seven, and let each one be firmly impressed with our work and the good accomplished thus far. Many friends are here who come to enjoy our bright conditions. I must close for this time. With love eternal to guide you to immortal life divine. CLYTINA.

No. 33.

November 27, 1897.

To THE FRIENDS IN SPIRIT AND MORTAL:

I wish to express my pleasure in thus being able to come into such conditions on your earth planet. It has long been my desire to come thus closely en rapport with your own conditions. I am sure that your efforts to advance the world will meet with success, as my own planet Mars has passed through similar conditions. I feel in myself the power to give you great assistance in your work; in fact, it is my mission, as I have already explained to many of you, to join forces with you. Knowing the great good to be accomplished, it is but natural for me to manifest to you, and work in harmony with you. I can assure you that your advancement will be far more rapid than that of either Mars or Jupiter, for in these planets there was such a high degree of spirituality to be attained ere we could come en rapport with those above us. Now that we have progressed thus far, we can give you assistance according to your advancement in harmony with our conditions. I am not alone, but the six other friends who accompany me are equally interested in this work. These conditions are going to

meet with obstacles in time to come, but we shall all stand firm to give these dear friends in the mortal the power to overcome them, and certainly, in your meetings you have the evidence to prove your position. This, in itself, is a step never before taken to my knowledge. We, in our home, have been looking forward to this day with eager longings, watching the light grow, day by day, to a brighter condition becoming more plainly visible to us and others above. Friends in the mortal, I wish to congratulate you upon the good work you have been doing, and the many bright intelligences you have attracted in your sphere. May those in company with you continue to grow in spirituality, until you will form a formidable band against bigotry and ignorance. Let the light shine into the souls of men. Let the audific force of the infinite come in touch with your efforts. Surely there is happiness in doing so much good.

I feel that I have taken up more time and force than is necessary. However, I am truly grateful for this blessed privilege. I shall be with you in thought, ever ready to assist. Yours for the eternal light of Divine love,

ST. BENEDITIS.

MY DEAR FRIEND:

I greet you once again. My soul is filled with joy and rapture divine. My happiness increases with our work. To me it is one continual joyous moment. Our purpose to do good is meeting with the success it deserves. Our many friends are adding their forces to our own in a manner that will, in time, bring peace on earth. This divine condition that was intended by the great force of all life has been gradually preparing for it from time immemorial, and here and there, in different parts of the world, one or two noble souls would come in touch with this same infinite force of light. Though in a material sense they suffered in each case, the martyr's death, it has all had its effect, until to-day we can give out the truth to the world without having all this contention and strife. For ages it became necessary for the spirit world to use its force in causing all manifestation to cease, only in a limited form, for those who would become receptive to the spirit would at once be sent out of the body, and no special good would be accomplished. This great divine truth has been imposed upon mankind for ages, more especially since priesthood and creed were established. How many

poor souls, innocent of any wrong, have been forced out of the material form by these selfish beings. I have been so happy in coming en rapport with the dear Hypatia, who was one to suffer so much in the cause of truth. Oh, we have so much to be thankful for. My efforts shall be continued with greater energy, if possible, to right the wrongs which have been committed, though I feel now that the world at large has progressed to a condition that will not permit these glorious truths to go down again, as in the past, before ignorance and undeveloped minds. Truly I can sense much of this even to-day. I know from this that there still exists a mighty power to overthrow the truth, and once again take possession in its own cruel way.

The dear friend who favored us with his presence this morning is with us in his force to do good. I cannot begin to name the many who are now en rapport with us. Each one will come in his own good time, and demonstrate his presence. Katora is doing all that is possible in bringing out your spiritual perception. I shall be very happy indeed when I am sure that you can sense my presence with you. I know that I can impart more to you of the real conditions of spirit life than you have yet realized. Glorious truth, we see in your daily lives

something that gives evidence within itself of immortality. Our dear friends in darkness will come into the light, each one finding his or her friends and being thankful for the same. Fond remembrance to my faithful seven. Love eternal to thee. Thine as ever, CLYTINA.

No. 34.

November 30, 1897.

MY DEAR FRIEND:

I wish to come to you once again in accordance with my promise, to impart to you an idea of the conditions existing at the time when I inhabited the mortal form. The conditions of that time and to-day are far different. I came to Athens at the age of twenty-five, 152 B. C. A Carthagenian by birth, I was naturally interested in both the stoical and peripatetic philosophies. I came to Athens in order to place myself in a position to improve my education upon these matters. Carneades was then chief representative, and it was very gratifying to me to find in him a teacher that was in harmony with me. I studied under Carneades for some time. It was about this time that many different factions began to come into existence, but for the most part the effect was to equalize the two philosophies in harmony; though we soon discovered that this was a hopeless task, and Carneades, who had given a vast amount of thought to the Platonic doctrine, called my attention to Natural Laws, upon which it was based. For some time we carried on our inves-

tigations in a private way, but as far as coming en rapport with disembodied intelligences, our progress was very slow, and we had almost given up, when we decided to bring others into our confidence and try to form different conditions; as we soon learned that while some were receptive to the conditions, others were not, and as Carneades had noticed that his daughter Thesda possessed a very sensitive organism, we decided to have her join us in our investigations. The results, which came at first, were not marked, only an entranced condition was produced, but they finally merged into very interesting phenomena of a psychical nature. Then we decided to have Thesda's mother and L. Censorinus, wife and daughter, join us in our meetings. Telesda, the daughter of L. Censorinus, afterwards my wife, developed into a remarkable psychic, being able to see and hear intelligences from the spirit world, which came and manifested their presence, giving evidence of immortal life. We all became enthusiastic upon the subject, for we were convinced beyond a doubt, of the genuineness of the phenomna, though not being able to understand the conditions fully at that time. We invited in a friend of Carneades, a very intelligent man, Lucillius, who

had written much of interest upon the philosophy of the day. We should have better prepared our friend for the results, as we discovered later, for Telesda, who had at this time become my wife, 149 B. C., was too frail to undergo the severe tests to which we subjected her for the sake of demonstrating to Lucillius the truth we had found. This proved too much of a strain, and we were forced to cease our meetings for the time being. At the same time it was noised about that we were thus engaged, and this caused quite a commotion; therefore, we ceased our efforts altogether for the time, as we realized only too well how impossible it was for us to overcome the prejudice existing among the masses. We sat at intervals, however, with Thesda, and in time, when my own Clytina came to be a grand instrument in the hands of those individualities who have been striving from time immemorial to demonstrate the way of life through her mediumship. Lucillius was convinced beyond a doubt, and wrote many books tinged with the truth, but few understood. I had also written much upon the subject, hoping to attract the attention of the people to the truth. It was successful in a measure, but it seems it was not to be continued, but was only

to serve as a stepping stone for others to work upon.

Well, my friend, I feel that I have about exhausted the force, but I wish to thank you for this privilege. I shall do my utmost to promulgate the truth. Command me. HASDRUBAL.

November 30, 1897.

MY DEAR FRIEND:

I am sure that the forces have been used for a good purpose this morning, not alone for the message, but for the conditions established. I hope to bring you en rapport with many intelligences of a high order that will be of interest to you and be good for you to meet. I will not intrude upon the force further, and remain yours ever faithful,

CLYTINA.

[Written on a pad of paper, held by Mr. Hodges on his lap, by Clytina, at the meeting of the seven was the following:

DEAR SPIRIT IN THE MORTAL:

Our purpose in coming to you cannot be misunderstood. All that we have accomplished thus far is for the eternal good of humanity. Our aim is to build up the dear planet we love in comparison with the other planets of the universe which have progressed so far into the ideal spiritual conditions. Our constant prayer is that this may prevail among our dear loved ones. Let us continue to seek the highest spiritual enfoldment. It will only add to our immortal power in the realms of the great beyond. Let the lamp of wisdom burn brightly. Seek in patience, the celestial light of life will shine upon you and thou mayst enter the portals of life divine. Bless thee, my faithful seven. CLYTINA.

APPROVAL OF THE PORTRAIT BY CLYTINA.

August 14, 1898.

My Dear Faithful One:

I am very happy to come to you at this time, to express my joy in being able to come so closely en rapport, that the dear friends have been able to produce a likeness, which to me is very gratifying, and the fact that you are pleased with it makes it doubly so. In our experience during the past year, we have all gained much benefit, a knowledge that is most necessary to individual growth. I do not wish to appear in a false light, in wearing upon my arm the emblem of wisdom, but this is but the earth emblem, and not the emblem which shall be given to you in time to come, and which you will fully comprehend, when given. Time and patience in understanding will bring a full knowledge of these laws, the science of which we have been receiving through our dear friend in wisdom, Alvidas, and when it is possible, we desire to form a circle which we shall call the circle of progress. This circle may be composed of seven congenial persons, who shall be under the guidance of our seven.

In regard to the publication of these writings, the knowledge contained therein must be given to the world. We feel that you will do this, and place the science of life in the hands of struggling humanity. I realize you cannot do all this, but some will catch a glimpse of the truth, and in time you shall be given the higher science, but in the philosophy given to you by Alvidas, the truths will stand for ages, and will ever be new; through which humanity can see the light as it shines out in the darkness, and it shall be understood, for there is a grand infinite purpose in this, greater than we on our side can comprehend. In time we shall know more of the beyond, just as you here in the mortal, but it must be through the same process of progress in which your dear seven are passing, through your own personal experiences of earth; and when you fully realize that each manifestation is for a purpose of eradicating some condition not in keeping with the higher spirituality, then you become stronger in your own powers to lift yourselves up above the lower physical plane, to be free, unlimited souls, creating a soul consciousness, into which all alike must advance to be purified and free.

I am certainly pleased with the likeness. It expresses all that can be shown through a material process, and conveys to you a very good conception

of my spiritual self, placed in a material form visible to you. I feel it is as perfect as we could expect to receive. It is pleasant to know that you have these portraits. It tends to bring us more closely into your own comprehension, when you can see with the material eye a counterpart of these intelligences who come to your assistance, and forming a chain of communication which shall extend throughout all conditions of life, not alone in our own solar system, but a universal condition; for perfection is as incomprehensible as the combined systems of the heavens merged into one grand whole; but we shall gain wisdom and knowledge that will lead us to that. Bless you, dear one, I am thankful to convey the love and blessings of the hosts of friends on our side with whom you have come in contact. My love eternal to you. I shall be near to give my influence. Bless you, dear one.

From thy ever faithful and true

CLYTINA.

CLYTINA'S PORTRAIT.

A word in regard to this portrait, a fit frontispiece of this volume, is not out of order. It is from a life size colored pastel, executed by unseen forces, in August, 1898, with Mr. Hodges and three other persons, to-wit, Mr. C. H. Michell and the well-known psychics, the Campbell Brothers, sitting around a table, in daylight, in the center of a large room, no others present; a dark cambric cloth was fastened around the table, extending to the floor, to make a shaded space beneath, and a framed canvas with colored pastels put on said canvas, and the entire outfit laid on the floor within the enclosure beneath the table by Mr. Hodges. After sitting forty minutes, Mr. Hodges raised the curtain, examined the canvas and found it blank as at first; he thereupon placed the canvas again under the table, and after one hour and five minutes raised the curtain, taking the canvas in hand, and found the portrait finished completely, as shown, the pastels having been mostly used in the work.

An eminent portrait painter was asked to see the portrait and judge it on its artistic merits. After a

critical examination he said in substance: "In taste and style, in proportion and posture, in beauty of form and features, in the thorough 'working in' of its blended colors it is simply perfect. While not competent to judge of its origin, to its rare merits I gladly testify."

ILLUSTRATED SLATE—HOW PRODUCED.

The illustrated slate shown was produced in the following manner:

In August, 1897, Mr. Hodges, together with Mr. C. H. Michell and Mrs. W. E. Cole, visited for the first time, the elder psychic, Campbell, of the noted Campbell Brothers, the four seating themselves around a small table, at midday. Mr. Hodges took an ordinary slate, examined it carefully, found no marks upon it, passed his hand over it a few times, and then laid it upon the table. A second slate, similarly examined, and free from any marks upon it, was thereupon placed directly on the top of the first, Mr. Campbell putting his gold watch chain on the top of the second slate. Each of the four persons then laid a hand on one of the respective four corners of the upper slate, resting in that manner but a few minutes; whereupon the watch chain was removed, the persons took their hands off together with the upper slate, and on the lower slate were found the writings and illustrations, done in gold precisely as shown in the picture, which is a reduction in size of about one-half.

Subsequent to this, numerous writings corresponding in every particular, as to chirography, and signature of Clytina, were received by Mr. Hodges at the meetings of The Seven, written on pads of paper taken from his office, placed upon his knees, and held by both of his hands; the slate writings having been received in the State of New York, and those upon the pads at Detroit, each through different psychics in no way related.

THE "MYSTIC SEVEN."

The following is a list of the names of the parties composing the "Mystic Seven" mentioned in the foregoing pages, to-wit:

Mrs. Lydia J. Manning.
Mrs. Mae Cole.
Mr. C. H. Michell (Merchant).
Mr. D. G. Revell (Passenger Conductor, Wabash Railway).
Mr. W. E. Cole (Psychic).
Mr. James Beaton (Barber).
Mr. H. C. Hodges (Capitalist and Manufacturer).

At a meeting of the Seven held on Thursday evening, April 4th, 1901, at the usual place, two chairs being vacant, those of Mrs. Manning and Mr. C. H. Michell, the following manifestation occurred, to-wit: A Blickensderfer typewriting machine, with a sheet of paper on the platen roller, was placed on a stool in the center of the room and surrounded by the five persons present in form of a circle, the two vacant chairs in said circle being in their accustomed places, and the gaslight was extinguished, leaving the room in entire darkness. After remaining silent

MY DEAR FRIENDS!. WITH THE ASSISTANCE OF DEAR COLONA,AND OTHER KIND FRIENDS I WILL TRY TO SEND YOU A TOKEN OF MY PRESENCE HERE.I AM SURE YOU ALL WISH TO LEARN HOW I AM GETTING ALONG,AND HOW I AM FARING IN THIS OTHER WORLD.I ALWAYS FELT MY INSIGNIFICANCE WHEN IN THE MORTAL,BUT I HAVE BEEN BROUGHT FACE TO FACE WITH SUCH STUPENDOUS CONDITIONS,THAT I REALIZE MORE THAN EVER WHAT A SMALL ATOM I REALLY AM,THOUGH I CAN SEE MORE CLEARLY HOW NECCESSARY EACH ONE IS TO THE PERFECTING OF ALL THE HUMAN RACE.WHEN I WAS WITH YOU IN THE MORTAL I ALWAYS HAD AN IDEA THAT WHEN I CAME TO THE SPIRIT SIDE I COULD GIVE A DISCRIPTION OF MY CONDITIONS AND LIFE HERE,BUT FRIENDS I FEEL SO INCOMPETENT TO DO SO NOW THAT I HAVE MADE THE CHANCE AND HAD THE EXPERIENCE.I FEEL SO FREEAND IT REALLY SEEMS AS THOUGH I HAD BEEN IMPRISON -ED.ALL MY MORTAL EXISTENCE SEEMS BUT A FLEETING SHADOW TO WHAT I SEE BEFOR -E ME NOW. THE CONDITION IS INDISCRABLE.WHEN I ATTEMPT TO USE WORDS OF PHYSICAL EXPRESSION,THEY FALL SO FAR SHORT OF WHAT I WISH TO SAY THAT I SHALL HAVE TO COIN NEW WORDS IN ORDER TO MAKE MYSELF CLEAR. OUR HIGHEST CONCEPTION OF HEAVEN,DOES NOT DESCRIBE ALL THAT I HAVE EXPERIENCED.I HAVE MET SO MANY OF THOSE GRAND INTELLIGENCESTHAT WE BECAME ACQUAINTED WITH IN THIS PLACE,ALSO MY OWN DEAR ONES.MRS.COLE,WHAT WE WERE TALKING OF THE NEXT TO THE LAST TIME I WAS HERE HAS BEEN REALIZED.DEAR FRIENDS IMUST CLOSE FOR THIS TIME,WITH BEST WISHES AND GOOD THOUGHTS TO ALL. LYDIA J. MANNING.

FAREWELL OLD FRIEND MY COALER AND SLAVE,I LEAVE YOU TO REST ALONE IN THE GRAVE.

THE EARTH TIES THAT BOUND US TOGETHER IN DAYS THAT ARE PAST,I AM HAPPY TO FIND ARE SEVERED AT LAST.

WITH OUR CIRCLE OF SEVEN W'ELL ALWAYS BE FOUND,SO LONG ASTHE EARTH IN ITS ORBIT MOVES ROUND.

AND WHEN THE SPIRIT WORLD RECEIVES A NEW BIRTH,THEMORTAL BODY ALONE FINDS ITS HOME IN THE EARTH. SAPPHO.

It may be said that the typewritten message herein shown was written in the dark. This is admitted; but in the interest of truth, there were no persons present in the mortal competent to have performed the work under the conditions.

H. C. HODGES.

for some time, and while the psychic was entranced and playing the autoharp, the typewriter machine began automatic, independent action, and with rapidity wrote the following letter, purporting to come from Mrs. Manning, who had been one of the Seven, and who had passed into higher life since these manuscripts were handed to the printer for publication; which letter, in reduced form, is shown on the following page.

Mrs. Manning, at the time of her demise, was a lady in the neighborhood of sixty years of age, a mother, reared in the Methodist Episcopal Church, of the highest respectability; a cultured, intelligent lady of refined feelings, heart full of Christian charity and love to all her fellow creatures.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
COUNTY OF WAYNE. } SS.

Mr. H. C. Hodges, Mrs. Mae Cole, Mr. D. G. Revell, Mr. James Beaton, each being severally sworn, deposes and says: that the facts embodied in the foregoing statement as to the production of the foregoing letter, purporting to come from Mrs. Lydia J. Manning, on the evening of the fourth of April, 1901, are true in every particular.

H. C. HODGES.
D. G. REVELL.
MRS. MAE COLE.
JAMES BEATON.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of April, 1901.

ALEXANDER B. WETMORE,
Notary Public in and for Wayne County.

STATE OF MICHIGAN, }
COUNTY OF WAYNE. } ss.

William E. Cole, being duly sworn, says that referring to the foregoing statement of facts, he placed the said sheet of paper upon the platen roller of said type-writing machine, before the persons mentioned took their seats as stated; that said sheet of paper was blank and free from any writing thereupon; that directly after the light was extinguished he lost consciousness; that upon restoration of the same and the gas being re-lighted, he found the type-written message exactly as above reproduced.

WILLIAM E. COLE.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of April, 1901.

ALEXANDER B. WETMORE,
Notary Public in and for Wayne County.

MR. HODGES' GREAT QUESTION.

After the receipt of the last of the foregoing messages from Clytina and others, and at the next meeting, held on December 4, 1897, Mr. Hodges presented the following written interrogatory, which embodies in its stupendous scope the great question of the ages, folded it and placed it within the slate lids of the box, described as the transmitter in the Preface to this volume, Mr. Cole, the psychic, having no knowledge of the contents of the communication:

"SOME ARE BORN TO HONOR, AND OTHERS TO DISHONOR; SOME TO WEALTH AND OTHERS TO WANT; SOME IN THE MIDST OF CRIME, IGNORANCE AND SORROW, OTHERS ENVIRONED IN HAPPY CONDITIONS: WHEN AND WHERE IS THE LAW OF COMPENSATION APPLIED TO EQUALIZE THESE CONDITIONS, OR WHY SHOULD THESE THINGS BE?"

Whereupon, in reply thereto, came, through the same instrumentality, a series of messages from Alvidas, who passed to higher life in his nineteenth year, a fellow student of Plato, also from Clytina, received semi- and tri-weekly, extended from December 4, 1897, up to the publication of this volume. They embody profound scientific and philosophical knowledge, treating on subjects of the most vital interest hitherto unknown, and are entitled

"SCIENCE AND KEY OF LIFE; MANIFESTATIONS OF DIVINE LAW."

With the view of giving the reader a limited conception of the vast scope of the work, several of the five hundred or more communications from Alvidas and Clytina, as received through Psychic Telegraphy, of widely divergent dates, together with a following brief summary of the subjects therein treated, are herewith presented in answer to the above question.

EDITOR.

KNOW THYSELF.

Planetary Influences: Electric and Magnetic.

December 4, 1897.

MY FRIEND IN TRUTH:

There is much that seems strange and unnatural to one of your experience. The investigation of an intelligent mind must needs take note of the unequal conditions existing in the present age, materially speaking, but, at the same time, it has ever been so since man's soul was clothed in the spiritual body of the great infinite, universal force of life; aye,

since man of earth began to think, for as thoughts are things in themselves, so do these conditions come to those who prepare the future conditions of posterity. This was not intended by a personal God, as writers in the past have tried to show. No, it is but the outcome of undeveloped conditions.

Then we must remember that each individual is under the influence of other planets, as each wave of magnetic force from the different planets in action comes en rapport with different parts of the earth. Those who may come directly under that influence will certainly partake of it in force at the time of birth; not alone at the time of birth; but at the time of conception. In ages past we had developed to a remarkable degree of intelligence concerning the influences of other planets, as well as our own. It is generally understood that the influences of planets are taken from the time of birth. This is very well from a material standpoint, but in order to equalize the spiritual and material, there must be a stronger influence exerted at the time of conception than at birth. Therefore in order to be accurate, the time of conception should be taken into consideration in order to equalize the nature of the individual and conditions in harmony.

You may gather from this that it may then only be a matter of fortune or luck, but no, far from it, for we must remember that conception can take place only at certain times, when the planetary conditions have reached that condition where it is in a perfect equalization with the conditions of the man and woman; so it is not a matter of chance, but resolves itself into a great universal law under which we all are existing. How necessary, then, that perfect harmony should exist between the parents of the child born. How may we expect anything else than dire confusion to come from other than harmonious conditions; wealth and poverty, ignorance and knowledge and happiness, all these conditions find their equality in the conditions back of them, for in no single case will you find an exception to this great universal law, which understood by the people, would furnish the guide to happiness.

It is also true that as the majority of planets in this universe advance spiritually, the effect will be shown plainly in bringing unfoldment to mankind. I have not the time nor space to treat this subject as it should be, for it is the all important subject of life, for to know oneself is the first principle of success in life. There is much I could say upon this subject that has been lost to mankind upon this

planet, thereby causing many mistakes to be made. Not enough attention is given to the esoteric. It has been more for material conditions than for the purpose of gaining wisdom and knowledge of wisdom in the spirit.

This is my first attempt to manifest to those in the mortal, and feeling attracted here by the conditions, I have expressed myself as best I could under them. I trust I may have the privilege again, and remain yours for the cause of progress in the unfoldment of the soul divine.

ALVIDAS.

MY DEAR FRIEND:

I have good cause to feel happy to-day. It seems as though each meeting brings out more joy than all the rest. I assure you that our kind friend who has used the force at this time is one worthy of thy most serious attention, a learned scholar in 400 B. C. with whom Plato was closely connected as a student. I am sure your questions have been taken up, and answered in the only true way. Much of this knowledge has been lost, as a great many truths at Alexandria. We hope to impart to you all the truth we

can. I find I must close as the force is too exhausted to proceed further. Bless you all and my faithful one. I am nearer to you each day. You do feel my presence; you are not mistaken. Ever thine,

CLYTINA.

THE PRECESSION OF THE EQUINOXES.

The Divine Years and Ages.

Dec. 25, 1897.

KIND GREETINGS: Once again am I permitted to come and give you the benefit of my experience.

We find, by careful investigation, that the precession of the equinoxes through the Zodiac requires a period of twenty-five thousand, nine hundred and twenty years, and the mean motion for a number of years is fifty seconds per year. This observation was based upon the fundamental epoch of the conjunction of the Sun and Moon, which took place in the epoch of Tirvalora, three thousand, one hundred and two years before the Christian era. There is also great variance among astronomers, as to the position of the poles of the earth, and in order to judge correctly we must be familiar with the spiral motions of the magnetic poles, their rate of motion, time of revolution round the earth from east to west, and their revolution from pole to pole, which would in itself cause a slight variation in its angle.

We find that the Earth, then, in passing through the Zodiac, keeps its pole inclined from the plane of its orbit twenty-three and one-half degrees, not varying over one degree and twenty minutes from this

angle. Then we find that all the great numbers, which have been an enigma to many investigators, apply to this very important phenomena; thus, fifty seconds in one hundred years equals one minute in one hundred and twenty years, and one degree in seven thousand, two hundred years; therefore calculating the motion of the pole from the period of its being perpendicular to the orbit, over ninety degrees, when it would be in the plane of its orbit, we shall have four distinct periods of time, bearing the relation of four, three, two and one, which will be found to have each a very remarkable astronomical character. In the latitude of twenty-seven degrees north, which was near Benares, India, to the meridan of which are applied four different sets of astronomical tables of ancient philosophers.

A divine year consists, according to ancient astronomers, of three hundred and sixty common years. Then we see that in the above motion, seven hundred and twenty divine years equal thirty-six degrees, equal the fourth or Golden Age; five hundred and forty divine years equal twenty-seven degrees, or the third, the Silver Age; three hundred and sixty divine years equal eighteen degrees, or the second, the Copper Age; one hundred and eighty divine years equal nine degrees, or the first, the

Earthen Age. Thus, during the passage of the pole from one extreme to another, occurred the four celebrated ages of antiquity, from which the Greeks adopted their ages of gold, silver, brass and iron. These periods will be found to differ by one hundred and eighty divine years, and each portion of the angle moved over will be found to consist of the number nine, multiplied alternately into four, three, two and one. At the same time, we find that at Benares, where the greater portion of astronomical observations were made, during seven hundred and twenty divine years the tropics passed from the equator to thirty-six degrees north latitude, during which time the meridian altitude of the Sun on the shortest day was never less than twenty-seven degrees, the latitude of this place being naught. Perpetual summer continued through all this period, known as the Golden Age.

During the next period of five hundred and forty divine years the tropic passed over twenty-seven degrees of north latitude and the Sun was always visible at the horizon on the shortest day. This was the Silver Age.

Next, during three hundred and sixty divine years, the tropic passed over eighteen degrees, and the Sun on the shortest day was eighteen degrees below the

horizon, or within the angle of twilight, so there was no absolute darkness. This was the Copper Age.

Next we see for one hundred and eighty divine years, the tropic passed over nine degrees nearest the pole. At the same time, at Benares, the Sun was twenty-seven degrees below the horizon in the winter, and never rose for several weeks. All was dark and frozen. This was the Earthen Age.

I wish to establish these movements and motions beyond question. Then I will take up the planets and their effects. I thank you indeed for this opportunity. Yours for truth divine,

ALVIDAS.

I realize it is in order to wish you a merry Christmas and happy New Year, though I do not feel inspired by that alone, for our work grows interesting and I know we have found a way to interest humanity. The most intelligent must see the truth. May the highest infinite force of love bless you and my seven. The light is coming. We shall all be under its bright rays. CLYTINA.

EQUALITY BEFORE THE LAW.

Watchword of All Civilized Countries.

February 26, 1898.

MY DEAR FAITHFUL FRIEND:

We have met here with you this day to learn some truths if possible, to lighten mankind on his way. I have been requested to say a few words relative to the conditions now prevailing here upon earth. The confusing conditions will be eradicated only when statesmen learn that there are higher powers than political intrigues, motives and interests; when they learn the might that exists in truth; when they learn that the great moral and philosophical ideas which have seized on men's souls are the most efficient, durable forces which are acting in the world; when they learn that the past and present are not the future, but that the changes already existing in the minds of men are only forerunners, the signs of mightier revolutions. Politicians absorbed in near objects are prophets only on a small scale, and though they may foretell the outcome of the coming election, but the breaking of a deep moral conviction in the mass of men is a mystery which they have little skill to interpret. The future of this country

is to take its shape not from the struggles of parties or leaders for power or station, but from the great principles which are silently unfolding themselves in the minds of mankind. A far higher and more rational conception of freedom than entered the minds of those in past ages is spreading itself and is changing the face of society. Equality before the law has become the watchword of all civilized countries. The worth of a human being is better understood. His worth as an individual on his own account, and not as a useful tool for others' progress, is found to attach a sacredness and dignity to every man because each man is immortal. Such is the current of thought. Principles of a higher order are beginning to operate, and the dawn of these everlasting lights is a sure omen of a brighter day. Politicians seizing on the narrow and selfish principles expect them to last forever. They live in hopes of their machinery to determine the movements of the world, but if history teaches any lesson, it is the impotence of statesmen. Happily this impotence is spreading with the spread of light and moral force among the people. In the great conflict between the oriental and western world which was decided at Thermopylæ and Marathon; in the great conflict between polytheism and Theism; in the American

Revolution; in these grandest epochs of history what was it that won the victory? Not political management nor self-interest, but the principles of freedom, moral power and enthusiasm, the divine aspirations of the human soul. Great thoughts and great emotions have a place in human history which no historian has even given to them, and the future will be more determined by these than by the past. We find in the planetary influences, as taught by astrology, the great fundamental principles underlying these periods of progress. It is a law of that unseen but most certain dominion which even here among the blinding shadows which conceal his immediate workings the great infinitive force of all life is administering that they who being set anywhere to do his will, neglect to do it, are replaced by other and more faithful instruments. How its operation is in every case to be reconciled with the reality of man's free agency and separate probation we may be unable to perceive; how amidst the conflicting waves of men's evil wills and rebellious impulses and the mighty tempests of this troubled world, He does yet so rule that all these separate wills, each singly and independent, do all work out together the wise purpose of his eternal counsels. We may be unable to conceive that it

should be so essential to the reality of his Government. That there is nothing repugnant to human nature in the basis of astrology is proved by the number of great minds which have been led by it when properly prepared by education; and the arguments now held conclusive against astrology get their strength in the minds of the people from no other circumstance than that which formerly was the proof of considerations which were held equally decisive in favor of it, viz., the bias of education. I find I must close for this time. Yours for progress and truth, ALVIDAS.

MY DEAR FAITHFUL ONE:

I am very happy to realize these truths that have this day been given our friend Alvidas will find good soil to germinate and produce results in accordance with the conditions of life in its march of progress. Bless our loved Seven, and my thoughts shall be directed for the happiness and glory of all. Ever thine eternal, CLYTINA.

Order, Justice and Harmony Govern this Physical Globe.

August 8, 1898.

I have endeavored to make the succeeding one more intelligent and instructive, and during this short experience we see the necessity of accuracy, and know that to fully assimilate the science would be the work of many different expressions of life in the material; for no one life can possibly master all that is contained in this infinite science. Each day our mind expands under the broadening influence of its sublime wisdom. Many difficulties have crossed our path, and there are still more to come, the greatest obstacle being the difficulty in surmounting the conventionality and intellectuality of clever minds still bound to the senses and their own personal bias. I realize the responsibility incurred on your part in undertaking to place this science before the world, dealing with its causes and effects. We must endeavor to educate the lower mind of those whom we may come in contact with to a higher plane of thought, and by holding fast to reason we shall make the ideal which is the real practical. In fact, we do not hesitate to give out these truths, for we know

that the time is right for it, and therefore we shall be able to continue with confidence to disseminate the inner truths of this science in a new light to the world, even to the students of astrology. We see behind the planetary symbology there lies an infinite fund of knowledge, the search for which can only lead to wisdom. We see that in this science is found the interpretation of the law which governs this physical globe and this law is order, justice and harmony. No other system explains so logically the inequalities of the human race in discerning the cause from the effect, and now we begin to realize the vast amount of knowledge to be acquired in our efforts to free ourselves from the bonds which bind us down to the physical and become unlimited in our soul power. In order to give the force to our friend Clytina, I will close for this time. I shall meet you again soon. Yours for wisdom divine,

ALVIDAS.

TO MY DEAR FAITHFUL ONE:

I am most thankful to be here and to witness the successful efforts of our friend. It is indeed gratifying to know that this chain of communication has

become thoroughly established for all time, through which we shall assist in bringing about the perfection of all humanity, for you know my feelings to do good and aid the poor souls in darkness. We have been with you in thought since our last communications. We shall accept the first opportunity to manifest our presence among those of our dear beloved Seven who may gather here at this place. We are pleased to be in these environments again. My dear loved parents and friends join in loving remembrance. Thine ever faithful, CLYTINA.

ASTROLOGY:

The Origin of Every Art and Science Known to Man, or Ever Will Be.

January 12, 1899.

MY DEAR FAITHFUL FRIEND:

I am with you again in spirit, and will endeavor to give you some ideas upon astral forces and their relation to planetary rays.

Astrology, that is, the eternal and creative forces operating as zodiacal and planetary influences, is the origin of every art and science known to men or that ever will be known. The electric and magnetic vibrations in the atmosphere, the continuous and gradual change from day to night, the ebb and flow of the tides, the seasons of the year and alterations of temperature, times of famine and plenty, epidemics and sickness and crime, the births and deaths of the physical of all organized beings, the vibrations of color and sound, the different stages of life and destiny in members of the same family, important changes and discoveries in the progressive sciences, all are due directly or indirectly to the never ending and varying etherial vibratory forces or

astro-magnetism, which pervade the universe, operating according to its prevailing density and quality upon every atomic part of the earth and all that exists upon it. The fact is there are seven primary orbs in this our solar system, viz.: the Sun, Moon, Mercury, Venus, Jupiter, Mars and Saturn. These assume various scales of inter-action, according to the plane of manifestation on which their operations fall, as for instance in the seven ages of man, in the seven primary colors of the prism naturally illustrated by the rainbow, in the seven primary sounds of the musical scale, in the seven characters of wisdom, and so on. This number of seven is one of great and mystic influence on human life, and when we stop to consider the ponderous natural forces at work about us from which the activity of this number upon mundane effects is derived, it is little to be wondered at; and we have learned heretofore, the seventh day in acute disease is considered one of the most critical to the fate of the patient, and after birth the seventh hour decides whether the child will live. In seven days the cord falls off, in twice seven days the eyes follow a light, in thrice seven days the child turns the head; seven months give teeth; twice seven months it sits firmly; thrice seven months it begins

to talk; and four times seven months it begins to walk strongly. After seven years the child comes to the age of reason, and teeth of second set appear; after twice seven, the arrival of generative power; thrice seven, the hair of manhood is completed; four times seven, growth ceases; at thirty-five is the greatest strength; at forty-nine the greatest discretion, and seventy the natural length of life.

The peculiar influence of this number has from the earliest ages been attributed to the influx of the seven primary orbs of the solar system in their electro-magnetic actions upon the earth and all that breathes upon its surface. The seven days of the week are derived from the same source, and the successful physician selects his remedies according to astral sympathies with the necessities of his patient. The successful surgeon selects such moments for performing operations which are in astral sympathy with the life forces of his patients and the nature of the operation. The successful agriculturist selects such time for preparing the soil or sowing the seed which are in astral sympathy with the conditions suitable. So with the successful navigator; wherever we may turn in the region of science and art, whether of an exact or progressive nature, we find a reference in the

origin of required force and action to the great celestial machinery. The painter and musician are in constant touch with the astral vibrations on which their arts depend for existence.

Heat, light, color and sound are intimately related, all depending upon vibratory forces for their manifestations. The vibrations of light, when resolved into colors by the assistance of a prism, as for instance in the rainbow, produce seven primary sensations known as prismatic colors, that is red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo and violet. It is the vibration of intensity or rapidity in the vibrations which makes the difference in our sensation of color. Yours in truth for all,

ALVIDAS.

MY DEAR FAITHFUL ONE:

The science of Astrology is divided into seven branches, Esoteric, Natal, Medical, Horary, National or Mundane, Astrometeorological, and the Higher Spiritual, that has not to do with the material expressions. It was in its zenith about 200,000 years ago, no doubt longer. It was first taught by Manu, who had charge of the fourth root race. Bless our dear Seven. Eternal love to all humanity.

CLYTINA.

"Seek ye first the Kingdom of Heaven, and all these things shall be added unto you."

Purification, the first essential to true knowledge.

June 15, 1899.

MY DEAR FRIEND IN TRUTH:

We find all real knowledge is based on experience. Man seeks truth, and desires to experience truth for himself to grasp, to realize and feel it within himself, not others' opinions but realization. Many great teachers have sought to instruct the world to help forward the evolution of humanity, and have voiced for the world that which they themselves had experienced in their minor consciousness and therefore had realized. Those in the mortal who to-day are seeking to probe the intricate problems of life must have the faculty of faith developed in a measure at least to accept the statements made by others, or must get first hand experience for themselves.

Now every science has its own methods of investigation, whether it be chemistry, geology, astronomy or astrology, and if one desires to become an astrologer he must follow certain rules and methods: First, the planetary and the principles with which the planets correspond and their bearing upon the individual

must be carefully studied. Men of pure hearts and lives have sought to give out knowledge with the one desire to aid humanity. All our great teachers have declared there is one universal, underlying all forms of science, creeds, doctrines and dogmas.

The sceptic cries out for proof, and when you call his attention to the science of self knowledge to which the life must be consecrated if he would have that first hand consciousness born of experience, he mocks and ridicules. This is only because men of culture, education and intellect are busily engaged in noticing facts from without by the objective brain through the senses, a task comparatively easy, because the instruments needed for such work are ready at hand.

The telescope enables mankind to observe facts in nature, obscure to the unaided physical sight, but in the subjective or internal world we have but one instrument and that is the mind itself. The power of mind when properly guided and directed will analyse mind and see that which is back of it, but thought must be strong, steady and determined ere it can be accomplished, and most of us to-day scatter our thoughts rather than concentrate or focus them. If one wishes to see with the telescope, he must focus it, and if one wishes to see with the mind, the same

method must be used, but as we look about us intelligently upon the majority, we find they seek to escape from the mind rather than to use it, or escape from thought rather than to think.

In the public schools of this day. education, so-called, is gained at the cost of concentration, and it seems that in this age this quality of concentration is lacking. From the youth upwards the training has been chiefly in externals, so that the faculty for observing the subjective or internal side of things is almost atrophied.

Christ taught, "Seek ye first the Kingdom of Heaven, and all these things shall be added unto you," meaning from this that within ourselves, if we did only seek, forces and powers would open up and the key of knowledge discovered. There is a science taught by all masters and teachers, but their pupils are few. In this science is the key of all sciences, but it demands more than intellect or intellectual conception. It is in truth the harmonizing power or the Yoga, the science of the soul; that soul so mighty that the soul is but its instrument, its telescope of observation on this plane.

Each must use his own telescope, for though he may gain method and direction and aid, still each

man is and must be unto himself the way, the truth, the life. The first step is and must be purification. The lens of the telescope must be clear to reflect truly. Yours in truth,

ALVIDAS.

MY DEAR FAITHFUL ONE:

Science proceeds on the belief that our intellects will never be put to permanent confusion as they would be if they were in the presence of a fact which is inexplicable in itself and not simply so in relation to our limited knowledge. Rely on this, the doctrine of special creation has been banished from the world and a flood of light has been thrown on the methods of the divine artificer. Bless our dear seven,

Eternal,

CLYTINA.

The Pilgrim's Progress: How help is obtained at the dark stage.

June 17, 1899.

MY DEAR FAITHFUL FRIEND:

I consider this one of the most blessed privileges I can enjoy, and I trust that I can so manifest as to make the most of it in every way.

We learn from our last communication that the mind must be clean and purified in order to reflect truly, that is, the mind must first withdraw itself from the senses and thus become less sensitive to contact from the external side of life. As long as the tumult of the senses and desire nature throw the mind into tumultuous waves, the mind, thus disturbed and scattered, cannot reflect its divine nature and cannot distinguish between its desire nature and the divinity of its soul consciousness.

Suppose that to some extent this withdrawal from the external outgoing energies has been practiced by the mind. The mind has learned to discriminate between its pleasures and the delights of the animal nature; yet at this point the greatest battle has often been fought, for this mind having risen into its kingdom has forced quiescence to the animal nature. It

now seeks to use that energy for its own personal gratification, that is, the desires though of the intellect and so necessarily higher, are still selfish. The mind, though it has abstracted its force from the passions and gained knowledge, is still selfish, desiring for itself fame, glory, ambition and power.

These are the objects now of attraction in its mental world, holding out their thin, attractive power to delay and hinder the soul. The mind desires not to blend with the soul but seeks to dominate it: The servant or instrument seeks to become master, all forgetful of its divine self that sent it forth to gather experience for its own individual benefit; and this mind now grown so mighty feels its strength and its power, temptations so subtle that they mask themselves as virtues, and seek to delude the soul on this plane of the mind, and the curse of separateness is stronger than upon any other. Mine and thine, my fame, me and mine, not thee and thine; and this is the point of danger for all, the great turning point which reaches each individually.

Love and devotion alone can help at this dark stage of the Pilgrim's Progress, and if the chains of another soul and its influence can, by the raising power of devotion, soften the hard and cold nature, then there will arise an intense desire for something

that it dimly feels yet does not understand, adoring and worshiping something it senses as far beyond the intellect as that intellect is beyond the animal. Then these mental things begin to lose their attractive power, and there comes realization that these pleasures of the mind are no more satisfying than the pleasures of the senses.

It now reaches out for something permanent; becoming real, it seeks reality. That one moment of desire and aspiration causes a quickening of the life not now of sense or mind, but soul, and this germinating seed grows till the soul could no more return to sense and lower mental desires than a man can return to his childhood's toys. All is dark about him. He metaphorically sits down and cries out, "All my gods are taken from me and now what is left?"

And then amidst the strife, the voice of the soul speaks to him through the silence not in words but in consciousness, softly, tenderly, "My son; awaken to the higher life; give me allegiance; listen for my commands; meditate, and in silence, thou shalt hear me speak." Then he realizes that mighty as knowledge has been, the wisdom of the soul has passed him by, and he begins to inspect himself in this new light, for he realizes now the glory of moral and spiritual things. He has found the way, and he

knows the truth will be revealed, and the life. Verily he lived, seeking to rid himself of self, that more of the divine may be realized, for the pleasures of mind or sense are not compared to the bliss of soul consciousness. This is joy, peace and life. Thine in truth, ALVIDAS.

MY DEAR FAITHFUL ONE:

We know that as we grow wiser and better the race is improved, for the growth of each unit is virtually a gain for the race. Notice that the desire for fame and self has been transmuted into love for humanity and service to others. The harmonizing power is at work and we each one become a pupil in the science of the soul, a probationer in the school of love. Bless our dear seven. Eternal,

CLYTINA.

Astrology in the days of Greece and Rome: How it came into disrepute, by abuse.

November 14, 1899.

MY DEAR FAITHFUL FRIEND:

In these meetings here it is my purpose to bring this science within the reach and understanding of all persons endowed with an active inquiring mind, owing to the magnitude of the subject and the great amount of time and labor required from a material standpoint, and to reduce a metaphysical science into terms of natural philosophy.

It is my desire, however, to reach the multitude of earnest and thinking searchers after truth whose numbers are steadily increasing, and especially among those who wish to have some practical demonstration of the fact that a wise ruler is behind all manifestation of life, guiding and influencing humanity toward perfection, the so-called millenium, in which perfection is the goal.

In fact, the day is past for writing a defence of this science, as no amount of argument will convince the sceptic who is either too perverse or too indolent to investigate a science which explains a law that governs all things in the universe. The best test may be applied to all subjects where first hand knowledge is required is experience and reason.

Thought and experience are the basis upon which this science is based; the ripened fruit of many years' toil and practice are offered to those who are sufficiently thirsty for the knowledge that this science brings to mankind. An investigation by the student into ancient history will demonstrate that astrology is the most ancient of all sciences, and its history can be traced so far into the past that it may seem a hopeless task to actually discover by mortal means where this science had its origin.

In truth it is as old as man,—as old as the universe itself, for it began with it. From Babylonia and the Chaldeans we find a belief in astrology spreading throughout the whole world. Once the religion of a great and mighty race, it taught its people wisely, lifting their aspirations by faith and knowledge as well as reverence through the media of the planetary spirits to the supreme one and universal spirit, the logos of the solar system.

Since the days of the happy Chaldeans who were wise by the expansion of their consciousness, could reach the shining ones, the star of astrology seems to have waned and for the multitude to have entirely disappeared and its re-discovery, so to speak, is due to the spiritual activity that is again reviving the wisdom taught the wise teachers of a past age, and

that mystic planet Urania is beginning to manifest its effect upon the children of earth. We desire to see this bright star of astrology continue to rise and shine in all the splendor of its beneficent glory. Berosus, the Chaldean priest, to whom a statue with a gilt tongue was erected at Athens, and who translated the illumination of Bel, an early Babylonian work, introduced astrology into Greece.

The Greeks held the old traditions for a time, but it gradually became more an art than a science with the majority, and had so far waned that little of astrology can be found there, and it was left for the Romans to finally destroy the little life that was left in it as an esoteric study, though in spite of governmental opposition it flourished in early days of the Roman Empire, but in a very corrupted form. Ever in divine truth, ALVIDAS.

MY DEAR BELOVED FRIEND:

We find that in the days of the Roman Empire, through the pandering of the exponents of astrology to political exigencies, the science became corrupted and nothing more than a form of judicial astrology remained, finally becoming only a form of divination. Bless our dear loved seven. Eternal, my prayers for all, CLYTINA.

Liver—Intestines—Kidneys.

July 3, 1900.

MY DEAR FAITHFUL FRIEND:

I, too, rejoice that we may come in touch with the divine truth which is now casting its sublime influence with a greater degree of intensity than ever before since the golden age when humanity was living daily in its blessed and holy wisdom, but we are as much in the sight of the infinite, and must arise naturally to our proper position, though the way may seem difficult to follow and obstacles bar our progress, still once we have taken one draught from the fountain of truth we long to be immersed in its beautiful shining waters.

I desire to continue our subject of the last meeting, as we must pass on through this subject into other important considerations. We referred to the organ known as the liver, and as we find that the mass of the blood becomes loaded with the impurities of the body, it becomes necessary that these should be removed. Here nature steps in and provides a way that these impurities may be removed by means of certain appropriate organs. The principal organs in this connection are four in number, that is, the liver, intestines, kidneys and the skin. In the first of these the blood passes as it returns to

the heart through the veins, and here is secreted the yellow matter termed the bile, which is discharged into the intestines and becomes mixed with the refuse of the food to be rejected from the body. Hence the liver may be considered as the great depurator of the human organism, and accordingly exercises a most important office, and on the due action of which the health of the body materially depends; and while some may hold this secretion, the bile, will promote digestion, we can infer the reverse when we judge of its effects whenever from the action of vomiting or other causes it enters into the stomach, and besides, were it so intended it would be emptied into that organ direct where digestion takes place; but, on the contrary, we discover an increased secretion of bile is ever productive of irritation of the intestines, and also its presence in the stomach uniformly excites considerable nausea and frequent vomiting.

The second organ for consideration appropriated for purifying the mass of blood is the intestines. Through this organ the food passes after it has left the stomach, having its nourishing part taken up by the lacteals, besides which there is a copious decretion of feculent matter from the whole internal surface. Thus while one set of vessels takes up nutriment and conveys it to the mass of blood, another

discharges the impurities from the blood. The intestines are of great extent in most animals and are folded in various directions. This is in order to detain the matter which is received from the stomach so that all the nutrition may be thoroughly absorbed from it. The third organ for consideration is the kidneys, the secretion of which is excrementitious. These organs separate from blood superfluous water which becomes charged with various matters, as muriate of soda or common salt, phosphate of lime, puss, etc. These organs exercise a similar office to that of the skin in the performance of their functions, and between the skin and the kidneys a remarkable sympathy exists and a deficiency in the quantity of the secretion of one is generally found to be supplied by the other. I am in divine truth for all,

ALVIDAS.

MY DEAR BELOVED SOUL:

We rejoice that we are permitted to continue in the divine wisdom and perform our part in conveyig truth to the dear children of earth who are in need of the light. I have occupied thy place in the dear circle of seven in thy absence. Our prayers are for the uplifting of humanity to a higher knowledge of life. My blessings to our dear seven.

CLYTINA.

The Heart and Stomach.

July 5, 1900.

MY DEAR FAITHFUL FRIEND:

I am here with you and will continue our subject. We have learned of the effect of anger upon the physical body, and on the same principle of the influence of the intellectual operations.

We find the system quieted and also the activity of disease is diminished through the operation of the mild and gratifying passions, hope and confidence in our own strength. The stimulating effect of the passions has been known in some cases so violent as to bring on fever, apoplexy and even death of the physical. From the great sympathy existing between the brain and the heart, the passions seem to act particularly on the latter, and the feeling of grief is generally referred to this part. From the nerves also or elongations of the brain accompanying the arteries or ramifications of the heart, we can account for that want of nourishment or deficient supply for the vitality of the system which takes place whenever the patient is under the influence of grief or sorrow.

Such being the effect of the intellectual operations on the body, it requires in all diseases an important consideration and serious attention, and we may also add that the abuse of spirituous liquors has a similar influence as these other causes specified in the operation of producing local derangement, and in fact may be explained in a similar manner, that is, by exciting and continuing irritation in the brain.

We will now give some consideration to the heart. This is that organ by which the blood is conveyed to every part of the body, and has two ventricles. The left is higher than the right and is the strongest of all the muscles, therefore when affected by spasms it is of the most violent nature, and from its incessant action it is more liable to disorder, more especially from the ossification which retards the velocity of its circulation and often almost suspended in action, which is termed the pectoral angina, the symptoms of which are very peculiar and the issue fatal. The motion of the heart is most wonderful. It continues to the utmost period of life, day and night, without interruption, more than one hundred thousand times a day. It is indeed a manifestation of the stupendous wisdom of the infinite and is in nothing expressed more gloriously.

The stomach is a compound and spermatic sinewy receptacle for the food, and the seat of the digestion, and when it fails in its operation the whole frame is corrupted, for in it are contained the portions that serve for nutrition, concoction and procreation. The stomach is muscular, very nervous, and indirectly possesses sympathy with every part of the system through its connection with the brain. When the food has gone through the process of digestion it is emptied into the intestines and as it passes through this tube the chyle is taken up by the absorbent vessels and by them conveyed to the mass of the blood, from which it is then separated by vessels connected with the arteries, or, as they are termed, secerning extremities for the support of the body, and in this manner the growth and support of the physical takes place. But while this is going on the old parts of the body are removed by the absorbents and the particles conveyed into the mass of blood. The mass of blood accordingly becomes loaded with impurities. I am in divine truth eternal,

ALVIDAS.

MY DEAR BELOVED SOUL:

We find that the intention of the infinite was perfection in that particular state or condition to which the soul was subjected, but the difficulty is that the lower body has ruled instead of the higher self, and has trampled that divine spark of life eternal in the dust of its own ignorance and limitations until they have become as a part of humanity. Bless our dear loved seven. Eternal,

CLYTINA.

Origin of the Body—Absorbent Vessels.

July 7th, 1900.

MY DEAR FAITHFUL FRIEND:

Once again I am in control of these forces and will use them as best I can to give truth most essential to the well being of all who desire to exercise their free will and become free.

The absorbent vessels form a most important system in the animal economy, and upon the regular and healthy performance of their offices depends the health of the body. In persons of delicate structure the system is often very tender and irritable, and from this state arises that peculiar morbid condition termed scrofula. In such a state when the loss of the equilibrium of action ensues between the secerning extremities of arteries and the absorbents, an accumulation is produced in different parts; as in certain glands or organs, the cellular membrane and its ligaments of joints, etc., sometimes ending in ulceration, but it is in age that the most formidable diseases of the absorbent system occur, in consequence of these vessels losing their power of action either from diseased structure or debility, especially in glands or parts approaching the texture of glands. Hence the frequency of this morbid condition in the breasts of

females, and the absorbents of the glands once failing to perform their office, an accumulation of glandular matter takes place till the ramifications of the nourishing arteries become so compressed that they no longer convey their natural nutricient supply. The absorbent vessels derive their power of acting from the brain, therefore their diseased state is either that of supur or sub-irritation. Sub-irritation will exist locally in an organ and by disturbing its mutation, occasion deranged structure or disposition of lymph in the celluar substance, though the muscular system is no less under the influence of the brain as we have before observed.

The origin of the body, we may say, is in the chyle, which passing the lacteals, is then delivered into the sub-clavian, where, mixing with the blood, they proceed together to the right ventricle of the heart, and then being more intimately mixed, circulate together through the whole system, until after several circulations and secretions at the various strainers of the body, are assimilated so as to make one uniform compound mass, which appears to be nothing else than chyle, altered by the artifice of nature, and exalted into blood, there being no appearance of anything extraneous mixed with the circulating liquor in the blood vessels than the chyle, with the

exception of what had been separated from it for some special purpose, which being once served, is returned to it once more. Thus again, while the blood is in the vessels it appears to the naked eye to be uniform and homogeneous, but when let out of the vessels, and when cold, it separates spontaneously into two parts, one of these being red in color and fibrous, which coheres into a mass termed Cruor, while the other part becomes thin and transparent, which remains fluid when cold, and being heavier than cruor, sustains and bears it up. This is termed Serum. Thus we have considered the system in a summary way, and I shall give out what is most essential for future thought. I am in divine truth for all,

ALVIDAS.

MY DEAR BELOVED SOUL:

Once let the dear humanity receive any inkling of the truth and the knowledge will kindle within their souls a spirit of love and desire to unlock the fetters that bind to the lowest matter shadows and cling to the real, recognizing the wisdom of exercising the free will rather than groping in the dark shadows of fate. My love and prayers to our dear seven. Eternal,

CLYTINA.

"There is no science better calculated to introduce the student into the realms of philosophy than that of Astrology, for it removes all doubts with regard to the doctrine of evolution and strengthens us in our faith in the divine will, love and wisdom, elevating the thoughts, expanding the mind and broadens the consciousness, enabling us to perceive the unerring justice that rules throughout the solar systems.

CLYTINA."

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